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THE NAVAL SITUATION

AMERICA WILL KEEP OPEN DOOR FOR NEW EFFORTS

No Belligerent Talk At This Stage

HOPES FOR CONTINUATION OF LIMITATION AGREEMENTS

Washington, To-day.

The United States Government is represented as being still hopeful for the continuation of the naval limitation agreements, although they are disappointed at the failure of the London talks.

The administration is reported to be eager that America should refrain from any belligerent talk against any foreign nations, as long as the Naval problem remains at its present stage.

The attitude of the United States is pictured as favouring the continuation of the relative security of nations, through the limitation of arms, which, unofficially interpreted, means that the United States will keep an open door for new efforts and suggestions for the control and limitation of armaments. — Reuter.



Even the court attendants were bright smiles as they escorted Samuel Insull from the Federal Court Building in Chicago following his acquittal on the charge of using mails to defraud.

Smuggling In Canada

Three Accused Sentenced

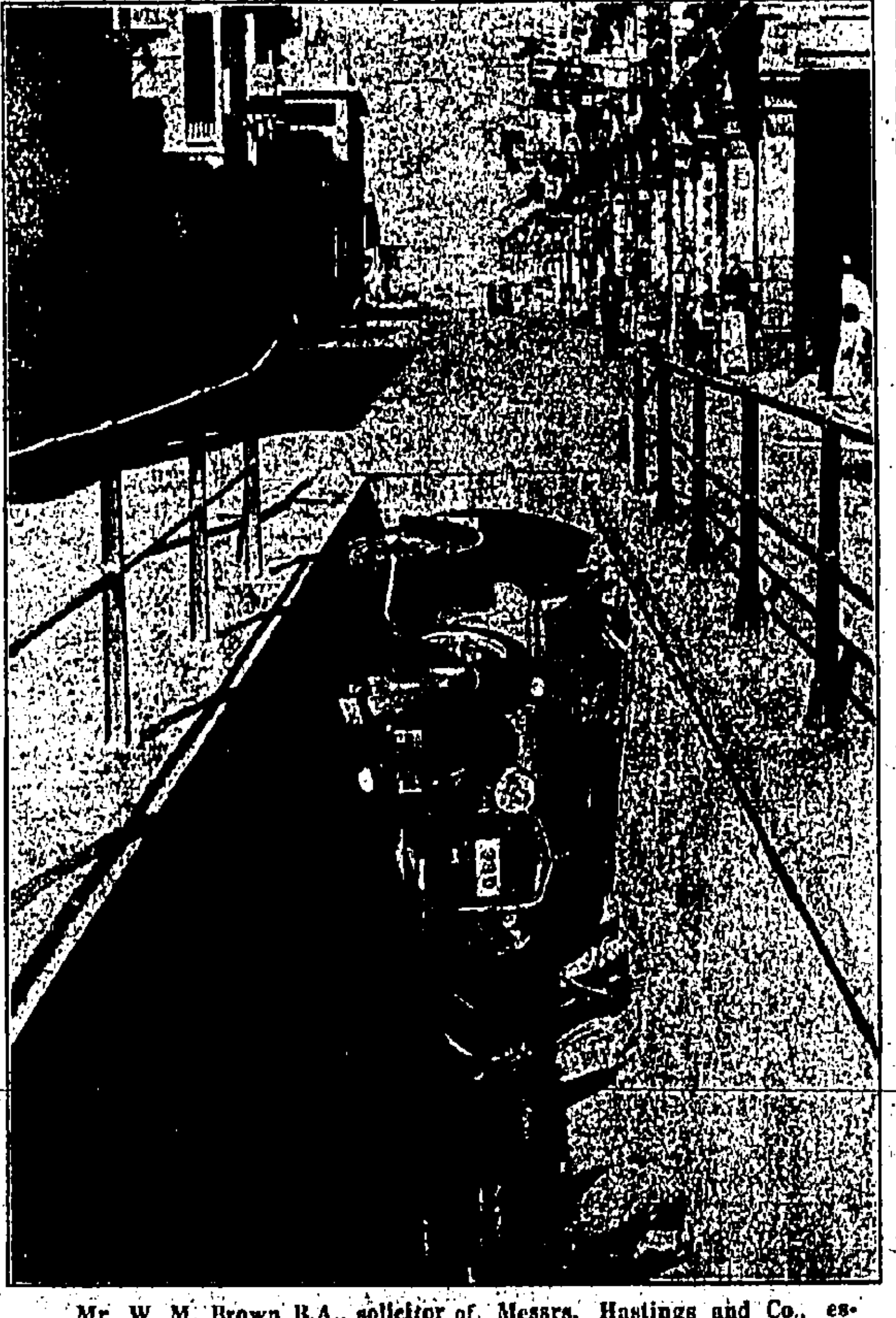
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Mr. W. M. Brown B.A., solicitor of Messrs. Hastings and Co., escaped unscathed when his car fell down this nullah in Cooke Street, Hung Hom, Kowloon, yesterday morning.

WOULD FAIL IN WAR

URGE FOR TIN PURCHASES FOR EMERGENCY USE

WAR DEBT SOLUTION SUGGESTED

PROPOSAL FAVOURED

Washington, To-day.

The concluding session of the Senate enquiry before the Christmas recess was occupied with a statement by the War Department flatly opposing the proposal of Governmental ownership of the munitions industry.

The spokesmen for the War Department declared that such a policy would fail in war-time and was therefore illogical in peace.

Meanwhile Mr. Bernard Baruch informed the House of Representatives and the Foreign Affairs Commission of the difficulties of obtaining supplies of tin in war-time and recommended that the Government should buy some thousands of tons for storing in case of need. Mr. S. D. McReynolds, Chairman of the Commission, suggested that the United States might accept payment of outstanding war debts in tin, a proposal to which Mr. Baruch agreed. — Reuter.

SILVER INQUIRY LOOMS IN U.S.

Treasury May Reveal Proposed Action

ADVICE DEMANDED

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.

(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1891. Received December 22, 9.08 a.m.)

Washington, To-day.

The Western silverites are studying the possibility of a congressional inquiry to determine what the Treasury is doing about silver, due to Mr. Henry Morgenthau's failure to divulge the extent of its operations.

The definite crystallisation of silverite sentiment, however, awaits the arrival of others who are interested in the subject.

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KIROV MURDER INQUIRY

TERRORIST ANTI-SOVIET GROUP FOUND

ACCUSED'S ALLEGED ADMISSIONS

13 NEW ARRESTS TO FACE TRIAL

Moscow, To-day.

The existence of a terrorist anti-Soviet group, formed by members of the former Zinovieff faction in Leningrad which opposed Stalin's group, is said to have been revealed by the preliminary inquiry into the murder of Sergei Kirov. Nikolayeff, the murderer of Kirov is alleged to have admitted that he was a member of this terrorist group and was ordered to carry out the crime.

It is also alleged that he stated that the former opposition had an account to settle with Kirov owing to the fight he organised against the Leningrad opposition group.

In addition to Nikolayeff, 13 other alleged Communists will now be brought before the Supreme Court.—Reuter.

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GOLD STANDARD IN BRITAIN

Chamberlain States No Possibility

"DISHARMONY" BETWEEN THE FRANC AND DOLLAR MUST BE OVERCOME FIRST

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In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, declared that Britain would not be ready to resume the gold standard as long as the French franc and the United States dollar were in "disharmony with each other."

On the present grounds sterling, he explained, was now free to adjust itself either towards the franc and the dollar, whereas if they resumed the gold standard they might be forced once again to abandon or deflate wages and prices in order to maintain the gold basis.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

It is notified that His Excellency the Governor, has given permission for fireworks to be discharged or let off in the Colony between the hours of 11.45 p.m. on December 31, and 12.15 a.m. on January 1, 1935.

CANTON MOURNS THE PASSING OF TENG CHAK-YU

Wife Gives Birth To Son After Statesman Breathes Last

RADIO PROGRAMME CURTAILED AS MARK OF RESPECT

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, Yesterday.

Condolences and sympathy from the Nanking leaders over the death of Mr. Teng Chak-yu were received here last night in view of his active support of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen and his long connection with the Kuomintang.

The South-west Political Council will decide to-day on a date for the state burial of the deceased Kuomintang leader. All flags are being flown at half-mast for three days, beginning yesterday. Officials will not give any banquets during the three days, and even the broadcasting station has suspended all recorded programmes and is giving only a few news items.

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SILVER IMPORTS IN AMERICA

Last Weekly Report Shows \$1,244,949

Washington, To-day.

The United States Chamber of commerce states that silver imports for the week ending December 14 were estimated at \$1,244,949, of which \$236,858 were from Chile; \$200,725 from Mexico; \$342,000, \$130,000 from China and \$161,217 from Canada.—Reuter.

LOCAL DOLLAR DECLINES

Silver Prices Weaken

The local dollar has declined 1/8, opening on demand this morning at 1/8 3/4.

Spot and forward silver prices have declined 1/8 closing yesterday at 23-13/16 and 23-15/16, respectively.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at 2—U.S.\$4.93%, as compared with 2—U.S.\$4.94%.

The New York on London rate remained unchanged at 2—U.S.\$4.94.

BRUTAL MURDER OF CHINESE WOMAN

Strangled To Death With Towel

POLICE OFFER REWARD

A Chinese woman, 27 years of age, was found strangled to death by a towel at the Sanitary Coolies' Headquarters, in Arsenal Street last night.

The discovery of the murdered woman, Lo Ngan Ho, was made by her husband, a Sanitary coolie, who returned home at 9 o'clock last night, having last seen his wife alive three hours previously.

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LANDS IN SWAMP DURING STORM

PILOT DECEIVED BY RAINFALL

Eight Bodies Terribly Mutilated Beside Charred Plane

Bagdad, To-day.

Further details of the K. L. M. plane disaster are now available.

All the bodies lying beside the Dutch plane were identifiable though they were terribly mutilated. The machine was upside down and beyond repair, and the surrounding area was littered with lefters.

It was impossible for aircraft to land at the spot of the disaster, but the bodies were recovered by police cars.

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UTILITIES RATES IN U.S. CITIES

Loans For Municipal Power Plants

Washington, To-day.

Mr. Harold L. Ickes, United States Secretary of the Interior, has announced that the Public Works Administration will refuse loans for the construction and expansion of municipal power plants where the private utilities rates are reasonable.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

MAIL SCHEDULES

The Postmaster General announces that as from 1st November the Parcel Post rates to the United Kingdom will be reduced to—

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INWARD MAILS.

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Naldera (via Suez) Dec. 27

FROM JAPAN

General Pershing Dec. 21
Atsuta Maru 21
Pres. Adams 22
Asama Maru 22
Montevideo Maru 25
Nankin 26
Naruto Maru 27
Toyama Maru 27

FROM U.S.A.

Pres. Adams Dec. 21

FROM MANILA

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FROM SHANGHAI

Pres. Adams Dec. 21
General Pershing 21
Asama Maru 22
Menelaus 23
Pyrrhus 23
Ixion 23

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Fushimi Maru Dec. 22
Fushimi Maru 22
Somali 25
Talma 27

FROM AUSTRALIA

Yasukuni Maru (Via Marseilles) Dec. 21
Closes: Reg. 12.30 p.m. Ord. 1.30 p.m.

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR EUROPE

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FOR U.S.A.

Fushimi Maru Dec. 22

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Suisang Dec. 22
Montevideo Maru 22

FOR AUSTRALIA

Atsuta Maru Dec. 22
Tilawa (Air Mail Service) 22

FOR STRAITS

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Suisang 22
Montevideo Maru 22

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The Woman's Page



CARE OF EQUIPMENT AFTER HOLIDAYS

Oil Treatment

As soon as the holiday season is over all equipment for bathing, walking, camping, and so on should be carefully overhauled and stored away so that it will be in good order when next required.

Woolen bathing costumes which have been used in salt water should be soaked for an hour or more in lukewarm fresh water before they are dried and put away. Rubber beach-bags and bathing-caps may be kept supple if they are washed in warm soapy water, slowly dried away from heat, well sprinkled with French chalk, and loosely packed in a cardboard box. Strong shoes and boots should be treated with an oily dressing to keep the leather soft and either placed on trees or tightly packed with balls of paper. In this way all creases are softened and smoothed out and the shoes are kept in shape.

Picnic cases should be brushed out to ensure that no crumbs are left in them. Vacuum flasks should be left uncorked when not in use. Their corks should be scalded, dried, and wrapped in clean paper. Canvas equipment, such as tents, ground-sheets, and so on, must be thoroughly dried before it is folded or rolled up for storing. It is advisable to label all rolls and packages, so that they may be identified at once without being opened or unfolded.

THE NEW PICTURE COIFFURES

Much of the new hairdressing designed for the "little season" dances resolves itself into a bunch of curls here or there, at the side of the crown, high in the centre, or even clusters arranged from the top of the head to the nape of the neck. An attraction about this type of coiffure is that it can be entirely an individual dressing designed to suit the profile and features of the wearer.

Present day curls are cleverly set, close to the outline of the head, that these new picture coiffures enhance a small, well-shaped head, and are becoming to most women.

The picture coiffure must always still keep the sleek and shining neat appearance; and this probably accounts for the novel idea of wearing five or six large single diamante clips on the hair. The clips are placed at the side, on the top, and at the back, and in addition to their novelty and decorative qualities have a distinctly practical use in keeping the picturesque lines of the coiffure in perfect order.

OIL STAIN

How to remove a machine oil stain from white woollens. Rub the stain with turpentine, and then wash out with cold water and soap.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

TRIPLET BAFFLER
ACREED R TIRE E
PRONE O TYPES
EON SADDLES ELI
RASP ROSIN BRAD
O RIMS DINE NE
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AM REAM AIRS BU
MILE REALM EVER
PRE SETTERS EAR
LEVER O TIERRE
E CRIS M PANS N
STREETS HARDEST

"METAL" SHOES FOR THE EVENING

SHOES of gold and silver kid, smooth and shining, are ultra-smart for evening wear. Some have vamps of plaited and interlaced kid.

Newest of all are open-toed sandals of gold kid, the strapping studded with imitation gems of all colours.

Metallic kid is untarnishable, and now comes the good news that shoes of silver or gold tassel can be preserved from losing their brightness. A new tinsel-cleaner, just on the market, will see to this.

INSTEP-LENGTH FROCK

LONDON. The many outfits seen here recently was a severely "tailored" instep-length frock of very dark brown velvet, touched with gold lame. The matching coat had an enormous roll collar of fox that suggested majesty in every line.

This, like many others, relied for its effectiveness on perfection of cut and splendour of material, rather than on any extrinsic ornamentation.

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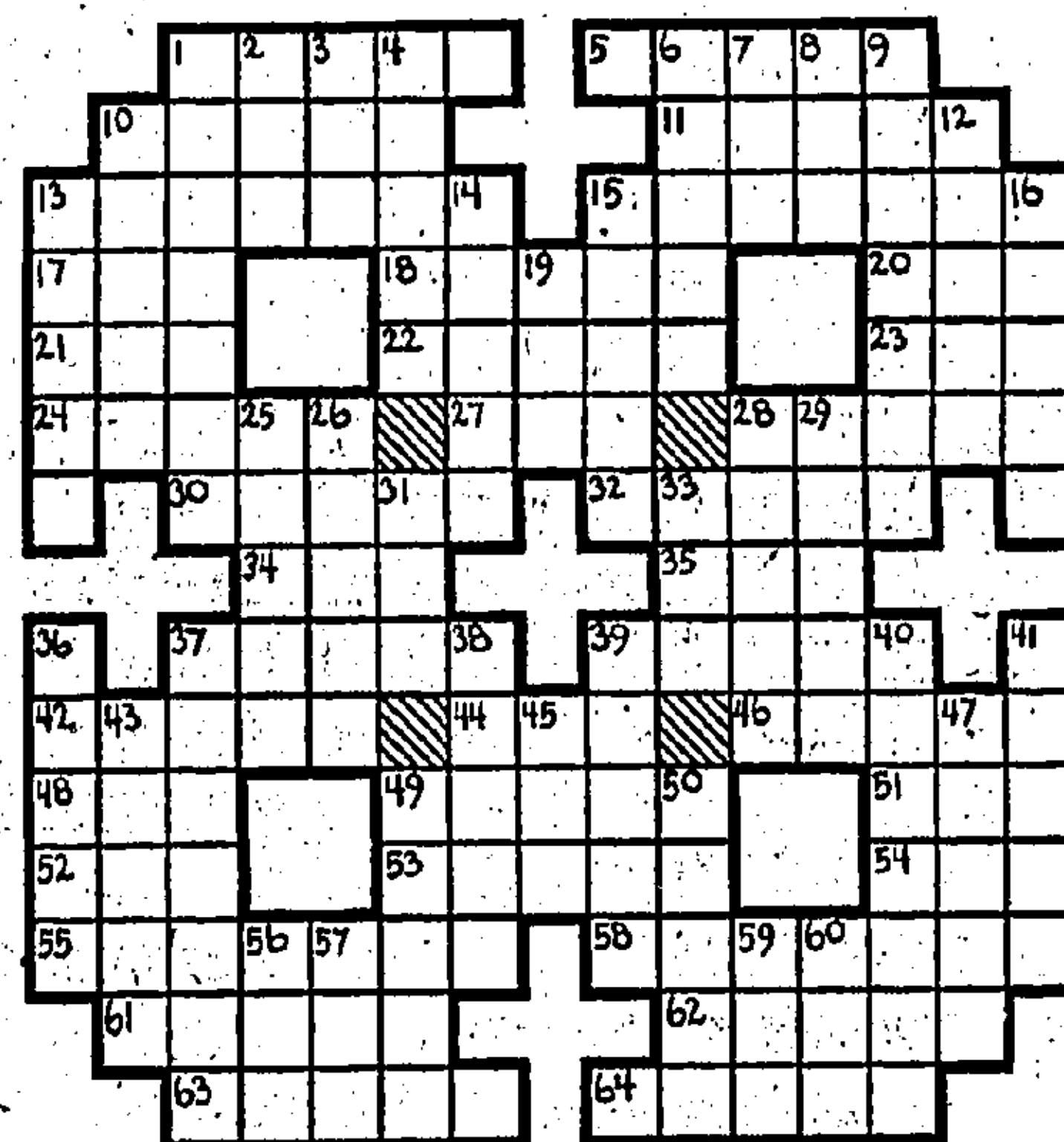
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

1-Consumed
5-A fruit
10-Chief of evil spirits
11-A paper measure
(pl.)
13-Is indignant at
16-Sofas
17-S. W. State of
U. S. (abbr.)
18-Relieves
20-Grassy meadow
21-Blind
22-Forms
23-Slack
24-To follow
27-Youth
28-Taut
30-Engines
32-Steep
34-Metric land measure
35-Curious scraps of
literature
37-Mean cowardly
person
39-Lock of hair
42-Was upright
44-Prefix. Upon
46-Reddish-brown

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

48-In a greater
quantity
49-Apparitions
51-Science
52-Entomology (abbr.)
53-Girl's name
54-Female deer
55-Warms again
56-Makes mournful
57-Meaning
58-Ereca
59-Withers
64-Curses

VERTICAL

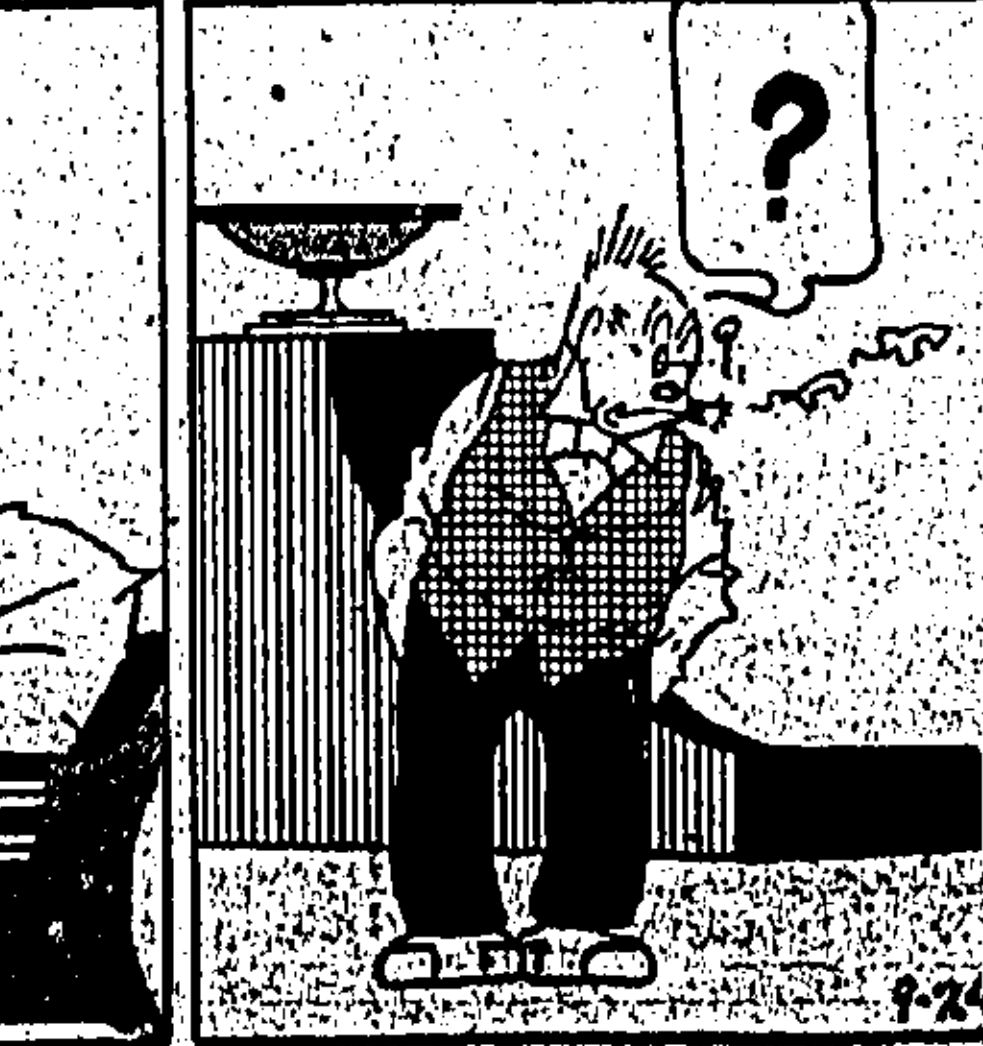
1-Most comfortable
2-Consumed
3-A color
4-Penetrates
6-Iron
7-Fondle
8-Latin (abbr.)
9-Girl's name
10-Small greenish finch
12-Blind
13-Grades

VERTICAL (Cont.)

14-Navigates
15-Planis
16-Bargains
19-Station (abbr.)
25-Combining form.
Heaven
26-Having ears
28-Prongs
29-Rub out
31-A vegetable
33-Parity
36-A flower
37-Eases
38-Part of a ship (pl.)
39-Baked piece of clay
(pl.)
40-Diggers
41-Debtless
42-Sounds
45-Churn
47-Presses
49-Restrain
50-Trap
56-Point of compass
(abbr.)
57-Man's name
59-Lair
60-Father (short)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue.

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BRIDGE NOTES

CONVENTION FOR NO-TRUMP

by Ely Culbertson.

Such a great majority of Bridge players now use the Four-Five No-trump Convention as an insurance of bidding makable Slams and refusing to bid Slams which cannot be made, that it is comparatively rare to see players reach after a Slam without the Aces necessary to produce it.

The other day, however, watching a Rubber game at Crockford's Club, New York, I saw a partnership reach an unmakeable Slam because the partners thought they needed no such crutch as the Four-Five No-trump Convention upon which to lean. They felt that their judgment of card values was too accurate to require any system except their own common sense. The result convinced them of the contrary.

South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

North:—

S.—K Q 8
H.—K Q J 8 2
D.—10 7
C.—A W Q

West:—

S.—9 7 6
H.—7 6
D.—Q 6
C.—J 10 8 5 4 3

East:—

S.—A J 10 4 3 2
H.—A 9
D.—9
C.—9 7 6 2

South:—

S.—5
H.—10 5 4 3
D.—A K J 8 5 4 3 2

C.—

The bidding:— (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs.)

South West North East
Pass (1) Pass 1H (2) 1S
2D (3) Pass 3H (4) Pass
5H (5) Pass 6H (6) Pass (7)
Pass Pass

1—An alternative would be a Pre-emptive bid in diamonds.

2—North has a very fine hand. Of course, the choice of his opening bid is obvious.

3—There is a strong temptation for South to take stronger action with his hand in view of his great freak and fit with his partner's suit. However, he decides to await developments. His bid, after an opposing Overcall, practically assures another bid from North.

4—A full justified Rebid.

5—South's hand is very strong distributionally and certainly suggests a Slam. However, the void in clubs indicates a probable duplication of values.

6—Even though his partner has invited a Slam, North should not bid it. If South were void of spades he would have shown that fact rather than bid five

Amusements

Cinema Notes

TREASURE ISLAND—QUEEN'S THEATRE

The generations of people both young and old who have been thrilled by "Treasure Island," Robert Louis Stevenson's famous story of pirate adventure, will find the vivid story-book experiences of their youth created on the screen in the picture at the Queen's Theatre, with Wallace Beery and Jackie Cooper in co-starring roles.

Full power of the most widely-read fiction book about pirates ever written has been retained in the adaptation of it by John Lee Mahin. Scenes have been reproduced exactly as described in the book with much of Stevenson's original dialogue between the characters followed to the word.

With Beery as Long John Silver and Jackie Cooper as Jim Hawkins, boy adventurer, a cast has been assembled to bring each rover of the Spanish Main to the screen with living reality. Lionel Barrymore's blustering Billy Bones is one of the most entertaining characters he has ever played. Otto Kruger is forceful as Dr. Livesey; Lewis Stone's personal knowledge of sailing ships gives convincing background to his role of Captain Smollett; Nigel Bruce is a ruddy and typically English Squire Trelawney; touches of quaint humour are put into the characterization of Ben Gunn, marooned pirate, by Chic Sale.

Every pictorial beauty and action value in the story has been brought out by the direction of Victor Fleming, who has filmed such adventure stories as "Rendezvous" and "Around the World in 80 Minutes."

"MICKEY MOUSE AND SILLY SYMPHONY"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Sponsored by the United Artists Corporation, the Alhambra Theatre presents another fine programme of short subjects by the well-known cartoonist, Walt Disney.

The programme consists of "Mickey Mouse," "Silly Symphony," "The Big Bad Wolf," a sequel to the "Three Little Pigs," "Little Red Ridinghood," "Candide," "Night Before Xmas," "Pet Store" and

hearts. It is almost impossible that he holds both the diamond Ace-King and the Ace of spades, and it is out of question that he holds all three Aces not in North's hand. The bid of five hearts should be passed.

7—While East, on the bidding, appears to have a reasonably safe Penalty Double, it would be rather pointless as, at best, a set of one trick in indicated, and the gain would be only 100 points, whereas there is a slight chance on the bidding that North is void of spades and that the contract can be made in which case, if East doubles, North will probably redouble.

others.
The "Silly Symphony" cartoon is done in technicolour.

"SHE LEARNED ABOUT SAILORS"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

A fine comedy-romance in which Lew Ayres and Alice Faye are co-starring is Fox Film's release, "She Learned About Sailors," now showing at the Oriental Theatre.

Clever acting in the many hilarious situations in the film makes it one of the most entertaining pictures of the season in the Colony. Lew Ayres is persuaded by his two shipmates, Mitchell and Durant, to accompany them ashore at an Asiatic seaport. At a cafe Ayres meets Alice Faye, and before the fleet leave port they fall in love. When Mitchell and Durant are convinced that Alice Faye is sincere in her love for Ayres, they do everything in their power to convince Ayres that he is wrong when he decides he cannot marry her because of his financial condition.

"MANHATTAN MELODRAMA"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

Three of Hollywood's most powerful personalities, Clark Gable, Myrna Loy and William Powell, are starred in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayor's current attraction, "Manhattan Melodrama," which will long be remembered as the last picture that America's Public Enemy No. 1, John Dillinger, ever saw.

The film opens spectacularly with the "General Slocum" disaster out of which are tossed two orphan boys into Manhattan's East side. One is studious, while the other "shoots" in gambling circles. Years later the student has become District Attorney (William Powell) and the other a top-money gambler, (Clark Gable).

"MADAME RACKETEER"—STAR THEATRE

Alison Skipworth and Richard Bennett are starred in Paramount's comedy-drama "Madame Racketeer," now showing at the Star Theatre.

Miss Skipworth, in the title role, is magnificent as the intriguing "racketeer," who provides drama as well as humour, while Richard Bennett, who plays opposite her, gives a remarkable performance. George Raft and Evelyn Knapp are also seen in the picture.

"THE BLACK CAT"—KING'S THEATRE

One of the most unusual pictures of the season, bringing with it all the uncanny mystery and horror of "Frankenstein" and "Dracula," plus the added thrills supplied by those two creators of eerie roles, Boris Karloff and Bela Lugosi, "The Black Cat" is now showing at the King's Theatre.

"The Black Cat," suggested from a story by Edgar Allan Poe, is a Universal production. The splendid supporting cast includes David Manners, Jacqueline Wells, Lucille Lund, Egon Brecher, Harry Cording, Henry Armette and Albert Conti.



Illustrating the ten greatest news stories of 1934, the "newsiest year since the World War," as named by J. V. Connolly, President of the International News Service, in an address before the convention of the Inter-scholastic Press Association at Washington and Lee University. 1—Arrest of Bruno Hauptmann as Lindbergh baby kidnapper. 2—Deflation of the dollar (the President is seen signing the gold bill). 3—Assassination of King Alexander of Yugoslavia and the French Foreign Minister, M. Louis Barthou. 4—Hitler's "Blood Purge," signalling his triumph as absolute ruler of Germany. (Troops are seen watching every move of the people on that eventful Saturday.) 5—The Morro Castle disaster. 6—Assassination of Chancellor Engelbert Dollfuss of Austria. 7—Capture of Samuel Insull in Turkey and his return for trial. 8—Record-breaking flight of Scott and Black in the London-Australia air marathon. 9—Department of Justice's manhunt, ending in the killing of John Dillinger (inset) and Floyd. 10—San Francisco general strike.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station 2.R.W. on a wave length of 355 metres (845 K.C.'s):—

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30-1 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Press News, etc.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
Dance Music from Hong Kong Hotel.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-12 midnight—European Programme.
7 p.m.—London and New York Stock and Commodity Quotations.
7.05-7.32 p.m.—Band Music.
Zampar-Querture (Herold).
Faust Frolics (Gounod).
Carmen Caprice (Bizet).
The Champion March Medley (arr. Humel).
La Source Ballet (arr. Winterbottom).
7.32-8 p.m.—Concert Items.
Violin Solos—
Dance of the Marionette (Winternitz).
Polichinelle Serenade (Kreisler).
Fritz Kreisler.
Song—Always (Smith).
Nichaval (Nothing Matters) (Jerome).
Dennis King (Baritone).
Piano-forte—
Der Fledermaus (Strauss).
Selection Raie da Costa.
8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
8.03-8.35 p.m.—Musical Comedy.
Orchestra—
A Musical Comedy Switch (arr. Hall).
C. B. Cochran Medley.
Fanfare—Selection.
Victoria and her Hussar—Vocal Gems.
8.35-8.50 p.m.—Organ Solos.
An Organists Yuletide.
Quentin M. Maclean.
In-a-Bird-Store (Laka).
In a Clock Store (Orth).
Terence Casey.
8.50-9.15 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.
A Thousand and One Night (J. Strauss).
Dance Waves—(Ivanovici).
Over the Waves—(Rosas).
Archibald Joyce Waltzes (arr. Somers).
9.15-9.30 p.m.—Octets.
A Venetian Barcarolle (arr. Willoughby).
Echoes of the Ball—(Willoughby).
Love's Dream After the Ball (arr. Willoughby).
9.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins.
London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations.
10.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins.
Rugby Mid-day Press News, Further London Stock and Commodity Quotations.
8.35-12 midnight—A Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room.
12 midnight—Close Down.
All Relays of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestras are by courtesy of the Management.

DELIUS TO REST IN ENGLISH SOIL

A grave in the village churchyard at Limpsfield, Surrey, will be chosen by Mrs. Delius, widow of the composer, as a resting-place for her husband's remains. At present, Delius's body rests at Grez-sur-Loire, near Paris, but arrangements are being made for the coffin to be taken to Limpsfield, probably next year.

WOMEN CAPTURE NEW PRIVILEGE

Oxford Union Society has decided to admit women to their premises. The standing committee, introducing a proposal that a dining room should be started as an experiment for a larger scheme next term, admitted that their interest in women was financial. Several opposed the proposal, one complaining that the peace of the library would be disturbed by the invasion.

RICH ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIND BY SHANTUNG PEASANT

An eighty-foot ancient boat resembling one of the famous dragon boats, believed to belong to the Tang Dynasty, was unearthed by a farmer who was digging in his vegetable fields recently at Liangchwang in southern Shantung. Hidden in the boat, reports the "Shunpao," were also a dozen huge porcelain vases each with three handles as well as a large quantity of ancient coins. The find is now being exhibited in Tsinan.



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Sporting Page

C.B.A. FAVOURED TO TRIUMPH IN 7-ASIDE HOCKEY

MEET CUP HOLDERS IN FIRST ROUND

SIX TEAMS TO CLASH FOR PEACE TROPHY

(By "STICKS")

Six Ladies hockey teams will clash for the Peace Seven-A-Side Hockey Cup this afternoon, commencing at 3.30 p.m., on the Central British Association ground at King's Park, when the tournament, which was arranged to raise funds for the forthcoming Ladies Inter-Port against Shanghai, is expected to draw a large gathering of spectators.

The Central British Association Ladies, who have entered one of the strongest of six teams, and who have twice beaten the Hong Kong Ladies, Champions of the Caer Clark Cup competition, will probably start as favourites.

The Hong Kong Ladies, who are the potential Caer Clark Cup champions for the eighth consecutive year, are not as strong as they could have been, and will have to produce their very best to beat their Caer Clark conquerors, against whom they have been drawn in the First Round.

The "Y" Ladies meet the Recreio Ladies in the other First Round tie, and an exciting tussle should ensue with the odds favouring the former.

Donor To Be Present

The St. Andrew's Ladies, at present runners-up to the Hong Kong Ladies in the Caer Clark Cup, have drawn a bye, together with the Central British Schoolgirls, into the Second Round.

Mrs. T. E. Pearce, the donor of the challenge trophy, has kindly consented to be present and will present the cup to the winners.

A charge of 50 cents for adults and 30 cents for school children will be made.

The teams are:

Bye Into 2nd Round:—C.B.S.—R. Stevenson; K. Moir, M. McCaw, J. Lukeman; E. Rousseau, H. Knill and A. Martin.

St. Andrew's:—G. White; E. Landolt, I. Woolley, J. Wong; F. Wong, M. Woolley and P. Glittens.

First Round:—Hong Kong Ladies:—E. M. Gray; A. Jacks, B. Pope, M. McKenna; Mrs. Harrow, J. Churchill and C. Ferguson.

C.B.A.:—F. Walker; P. Woolley; E. Beavis, M. Bryson; R. Blackmore, E. Woolley and M. Whitley.

Recreio:—C. Osmund, M. Basto, M. Xavier, L. Xavier; L. Silva Netto, A. Alves and M. Remedios.

"Y" Ladies:—A. Fowler; B. Blumenthal, J. Wilson, L. Hickey; B. Walker, S. Dalziel and O. Brown.

RADIO HOLD CLUB "A"

Although pressing throughout the game the Club "A" team were held to a goalless draw by the Radio Sports Club at King's Park yesterday in their friendly hockey encounter.

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TO-DAY

Golf:—Completion First Round Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Ladies' Section Taggart Cup Competition.

Football:—First Division:—South China "B" v South China "A" (Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)

Police v Club (Kowloon Ground, 4 p.m.)

Royal Artillery v Navy (Sookunpoo, 4 p.m.)

Second Division:—Fusiliers v Kowloon Club v South China Chinese Athletic v Eastern (2.30 p.m.)

University v Lincoln (4 p.m.)

Third Division:—R.A.O.C. v Royal Air Force Recreio v Royal Engineers Railway v East Lancashire Fusiliers v Lincoln (2.30 p.m.)

Hockey:—Caer Clark Cup:—C.B.A. v Recreio (King's Park, 3 p.m.)

O.B.S. v Hong Kong Ladies (Sookunpoo, 3.15 p.m.)

Friendly Match:—Y.M.C.A. v Incognitos Rugby:—Triangular Tournament:—Club v Navy (Happy Valley, 4 p.m.)

Yachting:—Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's Fourth Championship Race for Racing Yachts.

SOUTH CHINA "DERBY" CLASH TO-DAY

CLUB JUNIORS MAY STAGE COMEBACK?

TO-MORROW'S GOOD PROGRAMME

South China "A" will be fully tested this afternoon, when they meet their "B" team colleagues in a First Division Football fixture on the Caroline Hill ground. The "B" team will be at full strength with the exception of Tong Kwan, who is still on the injured list.

The Police and the Club should be engaged in a very good game on the Kowloon ground. The Club have strengthened their intermediate line with the inclusion of Hynes, although they will still be without Pote-Hunt from the pivot position.

In the Second Division to-day the Club have been considerably strengthened by the return of Manning Railton at full-back, while McKellar, after an absence of several months, re-appears at right-half.

The club juniors meet South China, and although they are not expected to win, will fully extend the latter.

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WOLVES NEW GOALKEEPER

Uttersson, the Glenavon goalkeeper, has been transferred to Wolverhampton Wanderers. A native against the English League at Belfast in September. The fee is stated to be about \$750.



Repeating his victory of last year, Tom Otley of Michigan State crosses the line a winner in the inter-collegiate cross-country championship run at Van Cortlandt Park, New York. He covered the six-mile course in 31 min. 54 3/5 sec.

HARVEY DRAWS POOR FIGHT

"Wrestling Match" With German

NEUSEL A TIRED GIANT

London, November 27.

A packed house and a poor fight. This familiar story in heavy-weight boxing was repeated once more last night, when over 11,000 spectators at Wembley watched and grumbled at the fight between Len Harvey and the German, Walter Neusel, which ended in a draw.

It was a hard and bitter fight, but as ugly an exhibition of boxing as has ever been my lot to see.

From start to finish, with the exception of one brief spell in the eleventh round, the fight was a sequence of clinches. Harvey and Neusel writhed, wrestled, clung—and hit when they could. Both fought steadily for body punches, Harvey because he was more than two stones the lighter and the comparatively huge bulk of his opponent presented so inviting a target, and Neusel, I think, because he has slowed down almost beyond recognition.

This was not the Neusel London knew less than 18 months ago. His magnificent speed and rangy style were gone. He was laden of foot and far too thick in the girth—just a cumbersome giant whose experience and skill enabled him to make the greatest use of his weight. Mr. C. H. Douglas, the referee, had a heart-breaking task. He stopped this fight no fewer than six times to caution one or both men for holding, and he also spoke to the boxers on innumerable occasions. Once, during an interval, he went to Neusel's corner to shake (Continued on Page 5.)

Wheeler Change Name To Hong Kong Cycling Club

A General Meeting of the Hong Kong Wheelers was held recently at which officials for the New Year (1935) were elected. Several important changes were made, mainly due to the large number of members leaving, or having already left the Colony. Many ex-members of the defunct Hong Kong Cycling Club have also joined their old rivals who are now the sole international cycling organisation in China.

Probably the most outstanding change brought about at the Meeting was the adoption of the disbanded Cycling Club's designation "The Hong Kong Cycling Club." This step was taken on the ground that the title "Wheelers" (the old English name for cyclists) was not sufficiently descriptive, and was unknown to many riders of other nationalities.

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R.A.O.C. v Air Force (Military, H.V., 2.30 p.m.)
Recreio v ENGINEERS (King's Park, 2.30 p.m.)
Railway v E. LANCS. (Railway, 2.30 p.m.)
Radio v FUSILIERS (St. Joseph's, 2.30 p.m.)
Police v LINCOLNS (Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)

To-morrow

FIRST DIVISION
St. Joseph's v RECREIO (Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)
Fusiliers v EAST LANCS. (Chatham Rd., 4 p.m.)
LINCOLNS v Athletic (Sookunpoo, 4 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION
NAVY v East Lanes (Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)
Engineers v ARTILLERY (Sookunpoo, 2.30 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION
R.A.M.C. v R.A.S.C. (Chatham Rd., 2.30 p.m.)

LEAGUE TABLES

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.P.
South China "A"	9	0	0	0	0	6 18
South China "B"	10	7	1	2	26	13 14
Police	10	8	1	1	35	17 17
Lincolns	11	6	1	4	28	18 14
Club	9	2	4	13	17	13
Fusiliers	3	2	3	13	16	9
Recreio	8	3	3	20	22	9
Athletic	8	3	2	27	19	7
Navy	9	2	4	15	17	7
Artillery	11	3	7	16	39	7
East Lanes	10	1	5	4	13	20
Kowloon	9	1	7	13	24	3
St. Joseph's	9	1	7	1	8	28

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.P.
Lincolns	9	0	0	31	11	18
Navy	10	8	1	1	35	17 17
East Lanes	10	8	2	0	41	12 16
Artillery	11	5	4	2	23	20 12
South China	9	4	2	23	14	10
Athletic	7	5	2	0	19	8 10
University	8	4	3	1	18	16 9
Fusiliers	9	3	4	2	18	16 8
Engineers	10	3	6	1	15	24 7
Eastern	9	2	6	1	11	24 5
Club	10	0	6	4	9	29 4
Y. Indians	6	0	5	1	10	25 1
Kowloon	10	0	9	1	4	41 1

THIRD DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.P.
East Lanes	12	10	2	0	62	16 20
R.A.S.C.	12	10	2	0	36	20 20
R.A.F. Force	10	6	1	3	23	11 15
Lincolns	11	6	3	2	32	18 14
Fusiliers	9	6	3	2	28	16 12
R.A.M.C.	12	8	0	23	20	12
R.A.O.C.	11	5	5	1	17	24 11
Police	10	3	7	0	16	28 3
Recreio	10	8	7	1	19	27 5
Railway	11	2	8	1	13	46 5
Engineers	12	2	10	0	11	38 4

HITLER AS OLYMPIC PATRON

Gap Caused By Death Of Hindenburg

Beilin, Dec. 2.

The Olympic Games in Berlin in 1936 will be held under the patronage of Herr Adolf Hitler, the Reichsfuehrer, who to-day agreed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of president von Hindenburg.

Eleven nations, including Great Britain, have not yet accepted the invitations to participate, while 41, including Ireland, have accepted.

The only refusal so far is from Palestine, the reason being that it has only recently been recognised by the International Committee and thus is only in an early stage of organising and training.



A Japanese artist's conception of the one and only Babe Ruth as pictured on the billboards displayed throughout Japan to advertise the Bambino's appearance with the American League stars.

AGA KHAN'S TRIUMPHANT YEAR ON TURF

WINNING TOTAL FOUR TIMES THAT OF ANY OTHER OWNER

(By HOTSPUR)

London, November 27.

If looking back in racing is ever justified it can only be at the end of a flat-racing season, when a four months' inter-regnum begins.

What, therefore, do we find? The Aga Khan, with £84,957, has secured four times the amount attributed to the next on the list. And of the next four names three owe their positions to one horse in each instance. I never remember having had to comment on such a state of affairs as that.

Let me explain. Lord Glanely is second with just over a score of races won and £16,160 to his name. Where would he have been without Colombo's win of the Two Thousand Guineas, a race worth just over £8,000? It is not a position commensurate with one who has been maintaining a big stable of well over 60 horses in training.

Really, I doubt whether there has ever been a year during which the leaders were so absolutely predominant and have been ever since the second half of it was entered upon. It applies to the Aga Khan as trainer Frank Butters, and to Gordon Richards, who once again

BADMINTON WIN FOR RECREIO "A"

Beat Fire Brigade In Mixed Doubles

Playing in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League at King's Park last night, the Recreio "A" team defeated the Fire Brigade by 7 sets to 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Shute proved to be the strongest combination of the Brigade, winning the two sets for their side. M. Oliverio and Miss Ribeiro, won all their three sets for the Recreio.

The set between Mr. and Mrs. Shute and M. Oliverio and Miss Ribeiro was a very exciting one, and after a great battle the latter pair won by 21 points to 18.

Scores were: J. J. Remedios and Miss G. D'Almada (Recreio "A") 8-21; lost to Mr. and Mrs. J. Shute; 8-21; beat W. M. Smith and Mrs. Kirkwood; 21-9; beat E. Greenwood and Miss K. Weir; 21-8; M. Oliverio and Miss O. Ribeiro (Recreio "A") 21-18; beat Mr. and Mrs. Shute; 21-10; beat Smith and Mrs. Kirkwood; 21-2; E. de Souza and Miss M. Silva (Recreio "A") 8-21; lost to Mr. and Mrs. Shute; 8-21; beat Smith and Mrs. Kirkwood; 21-14; beat Greenwood and Miss Weir; 21-7.

CLUB MAY RECEIVE THEIR FIRST DEFEAT

NAVY WITHOUT EVANS

FORSTER FILLS VACANCY FOR TRIANGULAR RUGBY TOURNEY GAME

(By "REFEREE")

The Navy, who meet the Club at the Valley in their first Triangular Rugby tournament fixture this afternoon, will be weakened in the pack by the enforced absence of Lt. Evans, the English International forward, who was suddenly taken ill yesterday.

His vacancy will be filled by Mne. Forster of H.M.S. Kent, the latter having played for the Navy first fifteen this season in several friendly fixtures.

To-day's clash promises to be one of the best of the season, for the Navy will be practically at full strength, although they will be without Lt. St. Clair Ford, who is at sea.

Orr-Ewing's Debut

Orr-Ewing, who has played at Home for the Navy and for several prominent Club teams, makes his first appearance as a back-row forward, and, having a very sound idea of the game, should prove an invaluable acquisition.

Galletley, who played a useful game recently, will hook for the Navy, and, although not in the same class as "Tubby" Linton, last year's hooker, he is a hard working forward with plenty of vim.

Dangerous Navy Forwards

Kelburne, Whitfield, Orr-Ewing and Sowman will be the most dangerous of the Navy forwards, and will want plenty of watching.

Webster, who plays stand-off-half to Forbes, will also be dangerous, while Hammett, who makes his first appearance in the local tournament among the three-quarters, should form a very dangerous partnership with Benson.

Hammett, incidentally, played wing-three-quarter for Devonport Services with conspicuous success, and will be very hard to bring down, his speed, weight, and swerve being invaluable assets.

Munro An Absentee

The Club will be at full strength with perhaps the exception of Munro, who should have been in the team. The latter, it is true, was not seen at his best last Wednesday, but is capable of playing a very fine game, his reach in the line-outs often giving the Club three-quarter movements their initial starts.

The Club backs have so far played very well together, and can be expected to put up a good showing, but it is very doubtful whether McGilchrist will be given much scope for displaying his heels.

Meekie and Turner need no introduction, while the forwards have also played well this season, and are a match for the Navy pack.

Major H. M. J. McIntyre, R.A., will referee, and the teams are: Club:—G. P. Lammer; W. H. B. L. G. Robertson; J. Hutchison and H. R. MacGillchrist; M. W. Turner and H. C. Meekie; D. A. Cumming; W. E. Peers; A. F. Walkden; I. H. Bradford; S. H. Garrod; G. A. Stewart; D. McLellan (Captain) and J. C. Miller.

Navy:—Sto. Marsh (Scot); Sub. Leint. Biggle (Kent); Lieut. Chayne (Medway); Surg. Lt. Benson (Medway); E. R. A. Hammett (Phoenix); Lieut. Webster (Cornwall); Lieut. Forbes (Phoenix); Comdr. Roome (Medway); Ez. R. A. Galletley (Cornwall); Mne. Forster (Kent); Lieut. Collard (Adventure); Pay. Lt. Sowman (Kent); Lt. Kelburne (Falmouth); Lt. Comdr. Whitfield (Falmouth) and Comdr. Orr-Ewing (Tamar).

Reserves:—Sub. Lt. Crows (Medway); Lt. Watkins (Medway); Mne. Forster (Kent) and E. R. A. Blamey (Medway).

DERBY COUNTY AND COOPER

Derby County have again been approached about Cooper, their international full-back. Mr. G. Jobey, the club's manager, said: "He is not on the transfer list and with him, as with other leading players for whose services we have been approached at different times, we should only consider the transfer if an offer too tempting to refuse was made."

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GOLF NOTES

By "NIBLICK"

THIRTY-SIX holes medal play is the order of the day for tomorrow when the Lancford Trophy will find its first annual holder. All the 'Tigers' have entered and not a few of the 'Rabbits' are having a shot at this handsome trophy. I believe the new bunker at the seventh will be filled with sand (nearly two feet deep) for this competition—I wonder if any new words will be invented! I sincerely hope the Green Committee are shock proof.

THE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

THE First Round of the Junior Championship, played last Sunday, resulted in practically no surprises, unless the fact of W. Simpson taking W. Ahern to the 19th can be counted. W. Stoker fell by the wayside to A. Andrews, being three down with only two to play. Apart from these two matches the results were pretty much as expected. The cross-wind made conditions rather more difficult, particularly as it was inclined to be gusty; making allowance for a wind which does not always function in disconcerting to say the least.

OVERHEARD AT 19TH

"It cannot be helped, he can't count during the day, he went to night school."
"How many did you go round in—you so and so?"
"... and the Colonel wrote to America and every thing went with a swing."

"If it had not been for that caddy moving I'd have shot a 79."
"Bill's got a slice-proof stance, if there's a slice-proof golfer behind the ball."

"... and oh! boy, since he's won that 'pot' and thinks he's a real Tiger he won't even talk to himself except by appointment."
"... besides, I don't want to win the Junior Championship this year."

"... how the dickens does he come to be 18?"
"... two down and three to play and he had to lay me a sty-mie."

"... dead set against the 19th hole, she says I could get exactly the same effect by knocking my head against a wall."

COTTON TO PLAY IN RYDER CUP? SPORTING GESTURE BY AMERICA

RESIDENTIAL RULE MAY BE CHANGED

(By GEORGE GREENWOOD)
London, Nov. 27.

In consequence of a fine sporting gesture on the part of America, there is every likelihood of Henry Cotton, the British Open Golf champion, appearing in next year's Ryder Cup match, to be played in the United States.

Mr. George Jacobus, president of the U.S. Professional Golfers Association, has addressed a letter to the British Association, stating that America is willing to agree to an alteration in the conditions governing the match which will permit of Cotton taking part.

The existing rule is that players not resident in the country of their birth cannot play in the match. As Cotton is attached to the Waterloo Club, Brussels, he is automatically barred. America is now willing to delete the residential part of the clause and make the effective qualification birth only.

What Taylor Thought

I had a talk last night with J. H. Taylor, a member of the executive council of the British P.G.A. He said:

"I think it is a magnificent thing for America to have done. They have opened the door for the admission of Cotton, and their action will be applauded. We could not take the initiative in the matter because it was America who originally insisted on the birth and residence clause."

As indicated in yesterday's Daily Telegraph, Mr. Samuel Ryder, the

AGA KHAN'S TRIUMPHANT YEAR ON TURF

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bidders for such honours. Captain Cuttle, Manna, Coronach, Cameronian, and others, have passed in the gilded procession of big winners sent from Beckhampton. Then they receded into the distance and the trainer has confessed that he was not surprised. At the beginning of this year he had given doubts about his two-year-olds. They have proved well founded. It means a dimming of the outlook for next year. Yet I have sometimes thought that the good fortunes of Beckhampton could never wane.

They will be restored for that grand supporter of racing, Lord Woolavington, remains as keen as ever, notwithstanding his great age and as if time were standing still for him.

Ascot The Turning Point

My thoughts return to the Aga Khan, the outstanding personality of 1934. It was as if the great edifice of his phenomenal success suddenly shot upwards at Ascot. Until then things had even been disappointing. Umidwar had caused owner and trainer to be really downcast. Hard ground all the time, and more, than one mishap in training, had resulted in the Two Thousand Guineas and the Derby going by, leaving this colt distinctly behind the best.

Ascot changed everything. Umidwar could be forgotten. Felicitation revealed himself as something of a marvel as a stayer. One day of the Churchill Stakes, by way of certain raiser to winning the Gold Cup. It was as if he were a re-created horse. His trainer and owner must have been almost amazed as we were by the overwhelming nature of both wins. The wearing of blinkers seemed to have roused dormant forces which could scarcely have been suspected.

The Unbeaten Bahram

High-class two-year-olds revealed themselves. There was Hairan to win the Coventry Stakes, Shahali the Chesham Stakes and Theft the Windsor Castle Stakes. It is harder to maintain a reputation than to win it. All three have done the harder task all right. Bahram had not then been heard of. He came on the scene in due course, and he should be in front of the stage, next season. For he is unbeaten.

What a marvelous collection of celebrities to be in one hand! Felicitation, too, is to have another year in training. Apparently his owner has been unable to resist the temptation of exploiting further the racing career of a horse that has so recently been revealed to him as brilliant. Now it will be for others to say they are not afraid, if I may say so without offence, of the "Big bad wolf," for Umidwar came into his kingdom, and I know the Ascot Gold Cup had been earmarked for him as a four-year-old. Let Windsor Lad and Brantome, the champion of France, win beneath such devastating talent.

Solid Foundations. There is so much about the Aga Khan and his horses in this article. It is unavoidable, and it is certainly the duty of the reviewer to recognise what, after all, has been the outstanding feature of the expired season. I know there is a very definite impression gathering momentum that such strength in one hand is not the best thing that could happen for the future of racing.

I have not the space to debate such a big subject, to-day. Envy of owner and trainer can quickly breed pious alarm. Is there not something to be said for the Aga Khan's example of laying solid foundations? It will, of course, be said that foundation laying is made, easy by the aid of great wealth. Yet while there is truth in that, there is also the truth that it might still be unavailing unless linked with imagination, intelligence, determination to succeed, and the impetus of personality.

Superlatives seem quite inadequate to apply to the prestige gained this year by the champion sire.

donor of the cup, is willing that the conditions should be altered, and I have every reason to believe that the suggestion from America will be cordially accepted by the British P.G.A. American golfers are just as anxious to see Cotton as we are to have him in the British team.



Blandford. He stands out supreme with such figures as have never been anything like equalled in a single season. Even the great St. Simon's best year (1896) yielded no more than £59,740. Blandford's progeny in 1934 have won £70,510.

The Outstanding Three-Year-Old

Blandford's Son, Windsor Lad, is unquestionably entitled to be accepted as the best three-year-old. He won the Derby and the St. Leger, and if his jockey had not made a miscalculation of judgment at Sandown Park in July he would not have been beaten as a three-year-old. He would have been first, instead of third, for the Eclipse Stakes. His contemporaries will be after him next year, but they will not include the luckless Colombo, perhaps the most tragic individual of the whole year.

There is nothing to say of Gordon Richards that has not been said many times. There have been a few great jockeys in history. I am sure he deserves to rank as one of them. No other interpretation can be placed on his figures year after year, and his skill, honesty and shining example of fairness adorn his accomplishments.

It has been my privilege to offer him many congratulations. I hope I shall have to do so for some years to come. There is not the slightest threat of dislodgment from his isolated supremacy from any quarter.

Principal Winners Of The Season

OWNERS	Races Won	Value £
H.H. Aga Khan	45	64,957
Lord Glanely	21	16,160
H. H. Maharaia of	8	13,469
Lord Derby	29	12,742
Mr. M. H. Benson	2	12,185
Sir Charles Hyde	15	10,327
Sir Richard Brooke	2	9,166
Lord Durham	5	8,723
Sir Abe Bailey	13	8,699
Mr. W. Woodward	3	8,496
Lord Astor	11	8,232
Sir J. B. Joel	17	8,179
Mr. M. Field	5	8,164
Mr. T. Lant	7	7,649
Sir G. Eulough	3	7,649
Sir J. A. Dewar	15	6,870
Mr. E. Thornton-Smith	4	7,120
Lord Woolavington	23	6,260
Sir A. Sassoon	17	5,894
Sir A. B. B. B.	16	5,814
Mr. W. M. G. Singer	8	5,369
Mr. S. Wootton	26	4,788
Mr. H. E. C. Ewing	10	4,787
Mr. C. G. G. G.	10	4,728
Lord Londale	5	4,522
Mr. J. V. Rank	15	4,469
Mr. O. V. Watney	6	4,454
Mr. H. G. Blagrove	15	4,442
Mr. R. J. Colling	15	4,158
Mr. C. Jarvis	11	4,131
Mr. W. R. Smith	8	3,993
Mr. Z. G. Michallinos	6	3,975
Mr. P. Hartigan	20	3,912
Mr. J. Johnson	8	3,765
Lord Garsington	6	3,729
Miss D. Page	7	3,638
Mr. E. Esmond	9	3,589
Mr. F. Dennis	9	3,544
Mr. R. L. Glasspool	10	3,488
Capt. W. P. Ahern	6	3,477

BREEDERS	Races Won	Value £
H.H. Aga Khan	30	61,031
Mr. D. Sullivan	10	28,297
Mr. D. Sullivan	10	22,980
In France	59	22,980
Nat. Stud.	22	14,784
Lord Derby	21	13,538
Sir Alex Black	16	13,507
Sir Carnarvon	3	9,310
Sir George Eulough	10	8,950
Sidmere Stud	22	8,514
Mr. M. Field	5	8,496
Sir Abe Bailey	6	8,232
Mr. J. Farr	15	8,022
Mr. John Bell	9	7,966
Lord Durham	3	7,769
Lord Glanely	25	7,719
Mr. J. A. Dewar	16	7,080
In America	23	6,697
Major L. B. Holliday	23	6,644
Lord Astor	11	6,187
Sir J. Maher	10	5,977
Mr. D. Fraser	16	5,971
Mr. J. E. Joel	20	5,911
Lord Rosebery	10	5,881
Windsor Forest Stud	11	5,842
Mr. A. de Rothschild	21	5,437
Lord Woolavington	19	5,340
Capt. R. B. Brassey	11	5,322
Mr. Z. G. Michallinos	13	5,126
The late Col. Sir J. Rutherford	6	4,935
The late Mr. W. M. G. Singer	8	4,868
Mr. Wm. Woodward	4	4,770
Major L. Murray	5	4,770
Mr. D. McCalmont	7	4,349
Mr. J. C. Sullivan	7	3,846
Mr. Shier and Mr. R. B. Whitworth	12	3,834
Mr. J. W. A. Harris	14	3,405
Edwards of late Mr. G. Edwards	17	3,338
Major C. Behrens	7	3,331
Frank Butters	79	88,843
M. Marsh	13	26,002
J. Jarvis	41	24,435
J. Lawson	32	24,165
Capt. C. Boylston	39	22,624
P. Darling	20	21,489
Capt. T. B. B.	20	20,488
O. M. Bell	21	19,966
C. Leader	32	18,758
H. L. Cottrell	22	15,282
T. Templeman	25	12,617

JOCKEYS	Races Won	Value £
Gdn. Richards	212	175,115
F. Fox	132	75,743
W. Newitt	109	64,583
R. Peryman	89	77,633
H. Wragg	76	74,650
T. Weston	71	71,763
S. Donoghue	65	50,574
P. Beasley	64	62,417
J. Dines	56	47,297
C. Ray	54	55,424
G. Nicoll	52	81,572
J. Sirett	51	45,376
C. Richards	42	49,537
C. Smirke	37	33,384
R. Carslake	36	37,351
R. Wragg	36	30,331
R. Jones	33	30,219
J. Caldwell	33	49,554
M. Beary	32	44,361
W. Rickaby	21	26,240
W. Christie	25	25,141
M. McGulgan	23	25,232
C. Wragg	25	28,344
J. Childs	22	17,277
R. Dick	22	20,270
H. Gunn	21	16,142
H. Beasley	21	29,104
F. Lane	21	21,252
F. Hunter	20	22,187

Leaders For Past Ten Years

OWNERS	Races Won	Value £
1925—Lord Astor	325,723	
1926—Lord Woolavington	47,259	
1927—Lord Derby	40,855	
1928—Lord Derby	63,919	
1929—Aga Khan	38,896	
1930—Aga Khan	46,782	
1931—Mr. J. A. Dewar	39,034	
1932—Aga Khan	57,777	
1933—Lord Derby	27,619	
1934—Aga Khan	64,957	

BREEDERS

BREEDERS	Races Won	Value £
1925—Lord Astor	436,323	
1926—Lord Woolavington	99,869	
1927—Lord Derby	41,029	
1928—Lord Derby	63,534	
1929—Lord Derby	30,644	
1930—Lord Derby	36,346	
1931—Late Lord Dewar	40,457	
1932—Aga Khan	58,665	
1933—Sir A. Black	35,211	
1934—Aga Khan	61,031	

TRAINERS

TRAINERS	Races Won	Value £
1925—A. Taylor	356,879	
1926—F. Darling	63,417	
1927—Frank Butters	57,468	
1928—Frank Butters	67,473	
1929—R. C. Dawson	74,754	
1930—H. S. Pearce	49,488	
1931—J. Lawson	39,899	
1932—Frank Butters	72,535	
1933—F. Darling	44,729	
1934—Frank Butters	88,843	

SIRIES

SIRIES	Races Won	Value £
1925—Phalaris	246,467	
1926—Harry On	57,109	
1927—Phalaris	49,918	
1928—Phalaris	48,938	
1929—Tetralonia	61,497	
1930—Son-in-Law	44,411	
1931—Pharos	47,738	
1932—Gainsborough	38,138	
1933—Blandford	70,510	

JOCKEYS

JOCKEYS	Races Won	Value £
1925—G. Richards	118	
1926—T. Weston	95	
1927—G. Richards	164	
1928—G. Richards	149	
1929—G. Richards	143	
1930—G. Richards	143	
1931—G. Richards	143	
1932—G. Richards	143	
1933—G. Richards	209	
1934—G. Richards	212	



WONDERFUL STAG SOLD FOR \$320

Low Prices At Pony Auction

At the public pony-roup held yesterday by Messrs. Hughes and Hough at the Jockey Club Stables, Wonderful Stag, which was placed first once, second twice and third once in fourteen starts during the 1934 racing season, fetched the highest price of \$320.

Included among the 30 ponies which were offered for sale were a number of 1935 Australians which have never participated in a race. Two ponies, Iron Duke and a bay griffin (E-23), were sold for \$250, but, apart from these, prices were fairly low.

The following is the full list of ponies sold at the roup:

Zero, \$210; Banquet Hall, \$45; Gay Butterfly, \$130; Fair View, \$132; \$70; Hell for Leather, \$110; Ship, \$80; Colombo, \$140; Australian pony (No. 24), \$165; "Friday," \$919; \$140; Empire Day, \$100; Morning Sun, \$95; Bold Commander, \$140; Bay Griffin (E 23), \$250; Dinty, \$110; Hurry On, \$130; Australian pony (No. 7), \$180; City of Brisbane, \$160; Rosy Morn, \$110; Iron Duke, \$250; Wonderful Stag, \$320; Racing Pride, \$105; Ironsides, \$200; Iron Age, \$110; Young Conqueror, \$130; Subscription Griffin (No. 33), \$110; King Worthy, \$110; and Soldier of Fortune, \$140.



HARVEY DRAWS POOR FIGHT

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his finger and murmur words of solemn warning. Sometimes he parted the men and left them in despair.

Neusel's Weight Tells. Thus it was that, for nearly nine rounds, the solid weight of Neusel, bearing down upon the smaller but more agile Harvey, governed what one must call for want of a better word, the fight.

Occasionally Harvey lashed out on the break and the crowd cheered mightily at the spectacle of a blow visibly well struck. Neusel punished him heavily in the fifth round, and it seemed then that all his gallantry would not save Harvey from some terrible punishment. But Neusel, tiring, did so little in the next round that the men seemed glued to each other.

Then, at the end of the ninth round, came the first sign of real activity. Harvey tried a speculative left hook. It landed. He tried another, and Neusel went to his corner with his right eyebrow split open.

By this time the German was tiring rapidly, and in the eleventh round Harvey made a bold bid for a knock-out. The German reeled across the ring before a storming attack. His own pluck and experience saved him, however, and the fight petered out in the twelfth round.

Many quarrelled with the verdict of a draw. I would not have quarrelled if Mr. Douglas had declared it no contest within the first ten minutes.



RECREIO CRICKET ELEVENS FOR TO-DAY'S FRIENDLIES

The following will represent the Club de Recreio 1st and 2nd cricket elevens in friendly matches against the Civil Service Cricket Club to-day at 2 p.m. sharp:

1st Eleven (C.S.C.C. ground)—H. A. Alves, A. Prata, A. P. Pereira, G. A. Guterres, A. P. Guter

MACHIAVELLI AND IL PRINCIPE

Mr. G. P. de Martin's Lecture

A highly enlightening lecture was given by Mr. G. P. de Martin at the Jacobean Room, Hong Kong Hotel, last evening to a large and appreciative audience on "Machiavelli and Il Principe."

The speaker was introduced by the Consul General of Italy, Cav. Uff. A. Bianconi.

Among the large gathering present were: His Worship Mgr. H. Valtorta, Commander Bribolisi of the Italian cruiser Quarto and officers, Prof. Middleton Smith, Prof. Gerrard, Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Rev. Father G. Bryne, E. Teruzzi, A. Riganiti, Dr. and Mrs. Nelson Jones, Rev. G. Gallagher, S.J., Rev. M. Ryan, S.J., Mr. and Mrs. L. Hoover, Mr. Y. P. Law, Mr. M. K. Lo, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Mr. J. A. Fraser, Commodore Frank Elliot, Mr. Tang Shiu Kin, Mr. Lim Hoy Lan, Pro. and Mrs. Forster, Sir William Hornell, Messrs. A. Piovanello, U. Gonella, A. Vannini, Dr. Y. S. Yan, Brothers Mathias, Aimar, Paul, and Cassian and others.

Mr. de Martin traced in detail the life and writings of Niccolò Machiavelli who flourished at the end of the 15th and the beginning of the 16th Centuries. Machiavelli gained his eminent place in history not as a man of action, not on account of what he did, but on account of what he wrote and thought.

At the close of the lecture a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. de Martin on behalf of the audience by Mr. H. C. Macnamara.

ANDREW & URSULA BACK AGAIN

To Give Private Lessons

Andrew and Ursula, the London Ball-room Dancers are in the Colony again. Besides appearing during the dinner dances at the Hong Kong Hotel, they are prepared to coach a limited number of persons who wish to learn the latest ball-room steps.

Beginners are also invited to take advantage of this opportunity, as special attention will be afforded them. Nervous dancers will also be given personal attention. Arrangements are to be made by appointment.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Local Shipping Corruption

[To the Editor "China Mail"]
Sir,—The issue in this case is quite clear. The only recognised scale of salaries in Hong Kong and which applies to those vessels in respect of which the Guilds have taken action, is that laid down by the Hong Kong Arbitration Award of 1920 and to which scale I am pleased to say the more reputable class of river-boat owners have faithfully conformed to date.

Through certain circumstances, and in which I freely concede that a certain type of rank has not been blameless, these offending owners have managed to engage ranks at a lower scale of salary than that provided for by the Arbitration Award, until the matter has now reached a stage where some British certificated Masters, Mates and Chief Engineers are being remunerated at the rate of \$170.00 per month.

When one considers that amount being paid as wages to a man in charge of thousands of dollars worth of property and also lives committed to his care there can be no expression strong enough to condemn such a scandalous state of affairs. To make the position still more to be deplored, it is a fact that at least three of the offending Companies were signatories to the Hong Kong Arbitration Award.

Since the Guilds have taken this matter in hand one of the offending owners, at least, has approached the ranks on his vessel, offered them a small increase, but in consideration of such he has asked them to fill in on the vessel's Articles of Agreement the full Arbitration Award scale of pay they are supposed to be in receipt of. That is the kind of corruptive inducement the Guilds have to contend with and which we will strive to sweep away once and for all.

In another recent instance a Master was personally approached by his owner who asked whether an open rupture would be the outcome. On the Master replying to effect that, to the best of his belief the sailings of some of the ships might be affected, the owner replied, "Then we shall have to pay the proper wages."

Another obnoxious practice which is in vogue in certain vessels is that the pilots, who are paid to perform their duties, look to the Master for monthly remuneration in addition. The Master has either to meet these exactions or he suddenly finds that he has a hawser foul of his propeller, the clearance of and payment for which he has



Lew Ayres and Ginger Rogers appear in a wedding scene in Hollywood. But it is the real thing this time. The film stars leave the Little Church of the Flowers after the ceremony that made them one in real life.

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Orders For The Coming Week.

to meet himself or find himself in bad odour with his owners.

The conditions in some of this minor type of River boats are bad enough and the duties most arduous, for they are on a continuous run all the time. Beyond their pay, there is neither periodical leave or pension and the scale of pay laid down by the Hong Kong Arbitration Award is low enough in all seriousness when the relevant conditions of service are duly taken into account. From carefully collected information we are satisfied that the passenger traffic alone on these vessels is paying, and paying well, but we also know that, in numerous instances, the number of actual passengers carried is far in excess of the number shown on the return to the respective Company's offices.

From which we infer that while one hears arguments that ship-owning is not paying, it is not in accordance with fact that ship management is unremunerative. The source of the trouble would appear to be that the actual owners, whose money is sunk in the business, know little, if anything, in some cases of the practical part of ship operation and are content to leave it to his management and commanders, with resultant financial losses to himself. That, naturally is his concern but it is simply a point to demonstrate where and how some of these alleged losses in ship-owning are suffered.

Regarding passage and freight rates there is also little doubt but that for reduction incurred from these sources of income the Companies themselves are largely to blame for, the cut-throat rate-cutting programme they have indulged in, the position in this respect being accentuated by excessive passenger and freight rebates. Reverting to the stand now taken by the Guilds we are determined to see this matter through once and for all, for it has for too many years been a stigma on the Water Front and thereby a reproach to the Merchant Service. These offending vessels constitute most unfair and unhealthy competition to the better class vessels, whose owners have scrupulously regarded the provisions of the Hong Kong Arbitration Award, and from that aspect also the existing condition of things in these offending vessels cannot be permitted to continue.

However, all ranks are firm and definite, for while the Merchant Service Officer can take kicks and indignities there is a limit to human endurance and that limit is now passed. Naturally, we trust that the offending owners will appreciate the justice of our submissions; for it is alien to our desire to hamper trade. On acceptance of the reasonable requests which have been submitted in communications to the owners concerned on the 11th and 15th December and the entering into of an Agreement with the Guilds to provide for uniformity in the matter, all ranks will immediately report for duty on board their respective vessels.

W. E. KIRBY,
Joint Secretary, China Coast Officers' Guild and Marine Engineers' Guild of China.

Orders by Lieut.-Colonel R. B. L. Dowbiggin, O. B. E. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps:—
Hong Kong,
Friday, 21st December, 1934.

GENERAL.
His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Henrique Alberto de Barros Botelho as Second Lieutenant in the Corps Infantry of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps with effect from 6th December, 1934.
Rifles, Bayonets and Revolvers.
All Rifles, Bayonets and Revolvers must be returned to Store before the Christmas Holidays (repeated).

STOCK TAKING.
The stores at Headquarters will be closed on 7th and 8th January, 1935 for Annual Stocking.

GENERAL HOLIDAYS.
Corps Headquarters will be closed on Tuesday, 25th and Wednesday, 26th instant.

PARADE.
Corps Machine Battalion.
There will be a meeting of all Company Commanders in the Battalion on Thursday, 27th December, 1934, at 5.30 p.m. at Headquarters.

Corps Infantry (Portuguese).
There will be no more parades at Headquarters until January, 8th 1935.

Stonecutters Range—6th January, 1935.—This Range has been allotted to the Corps Infantry for Small Arms Classifications.

Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. and Kowloon Pier at 8.40 a.m.

Rifles and Bayonets must be drawn from Stores before Saturday (January 5th) Noon.

Dress—Optional but Equipment must be carried.

Range Officer—Lieut. J. V. V. dos Remedios.

Parade, January 8th 1935.—O. C. Company's Parade—All Ranks will parade with Rifles, Bayonets, Belts and Frogs at Headquarters at 5.30 pm.

RETURN FROM LEAVE.
Lieut. T. P. Saunderson returned from leave and resumed Command of No. 6 Platoon, No. 2 (Scottish) Company, as from 20th December, 1934.

G.Q.M.S. T. Bolt, Corps Engineer, returned from leave as from 13th December, 1934.

LEAVE.
No. 2182, Pte. E. J. Porter, No. 4 Platoon, No. 1 (M.G.) Company granted leave as from 18th December 1934 to 31st January, 1935.

STRENGTH.
No. 2247 Sapper M. D. Watson, Corps 17.12.34.
No. 2248 Sapper B. Williams, Corps Engineer 17.12.34.

Captain (Ed.) P. S. M. WILKINSON, Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

NOTICE.
Corps Christmas cards are on sale at Headquarters at 50 cents each or \$5.00 a dozen.

CHURCHES

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL HONG KONG

December 23, 1934
Fourth Sunday in Advent.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion (Peak Church).
10 a.m.—Children's Service.
11 a.m.—Mornings and Sermon.
Preacher: The Dean.
6.30 p.m.—Evensong.
Preacher: The Bishop of Hong Kong. "Can we be Christian in the Modern World", "Making room for Christ".

Christmas Eve, Dec. 24
5.30 p.m.—Choral Evensong with preparation for Communion.

Christmas Day, Dec. 25
6.15 a.m.—Holy Communion.
7.00 " " "
8.00 " " "
8.00 " " " (Choral).

at the Peak Church.
10.00 " Children's Service.
10.00 " Children's Service Chapel of the Resurrection, Happy Valley.
11.00 " Mornings and Sermon. Preacher, The Dean.

12.15 p.m.—Holy Communion.
December 28th.—St. Stephen's Day, 10.15 a.m. Holy Communion.
Dec. 27.—St. John's Day, 7.45 a.m. Holy Communion.
Dec. 28th.—Holy Innocents' Day, 7.45 a.m. Holy Communion.

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BETTER OUTLOOK ON WALL STREET

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Wall Street was moderately active and steady with the minor fractional gains and losses about evenly divided. The market is acting well in fact of the recent setback in utilities, but, with traders timid, further narrow and indecisive movements are expected.

E. A. Pierce Co.'s Report.
In their market report, the American Oriental Finance Corporation, correspondent for Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company New York state:

"Stocks: The market generally has resisted utility news and has appeared to ignore the implications of liberal policies in Washington."

"Cotton: The market was steady. Trade buying and price-fixing continues on a good scale."

"Rubber: The market was slightly lower on January liquidation—in volume. Small dealers were selling. The London market was steady but dull. Outside interest was lacking."

"Grains: The Government wheat report and weak foreign cables brought scattered selling and early pressure, which soon dried up. Some feel that a technical rally is overdue. There was some buying of futures which is credited to cash interest. The Argentine official report is 252,000,000 bushels, slightly over expectations, but one million under last year. The carry-over is small."

U.S. Smelting has declared a dividend of \$3.
Annalist Index of Business Activity: 82.3 against 78.9 for the corresponding period of last year. Money in circulation increased by \$55,000,000.

After protracted conferences in an effort to avert a "squeeze" in the December position, the Sugar Exchange has suspended trading in December and has appointed a Committee for the voluntary liquidation of contracts, having the power to require disclosure of open positions and to arrange settlement by allotting of sugar, or by monetary settlement. Contracts remaining open on December 24 are reserved for determination in accordance with the bye-laws.



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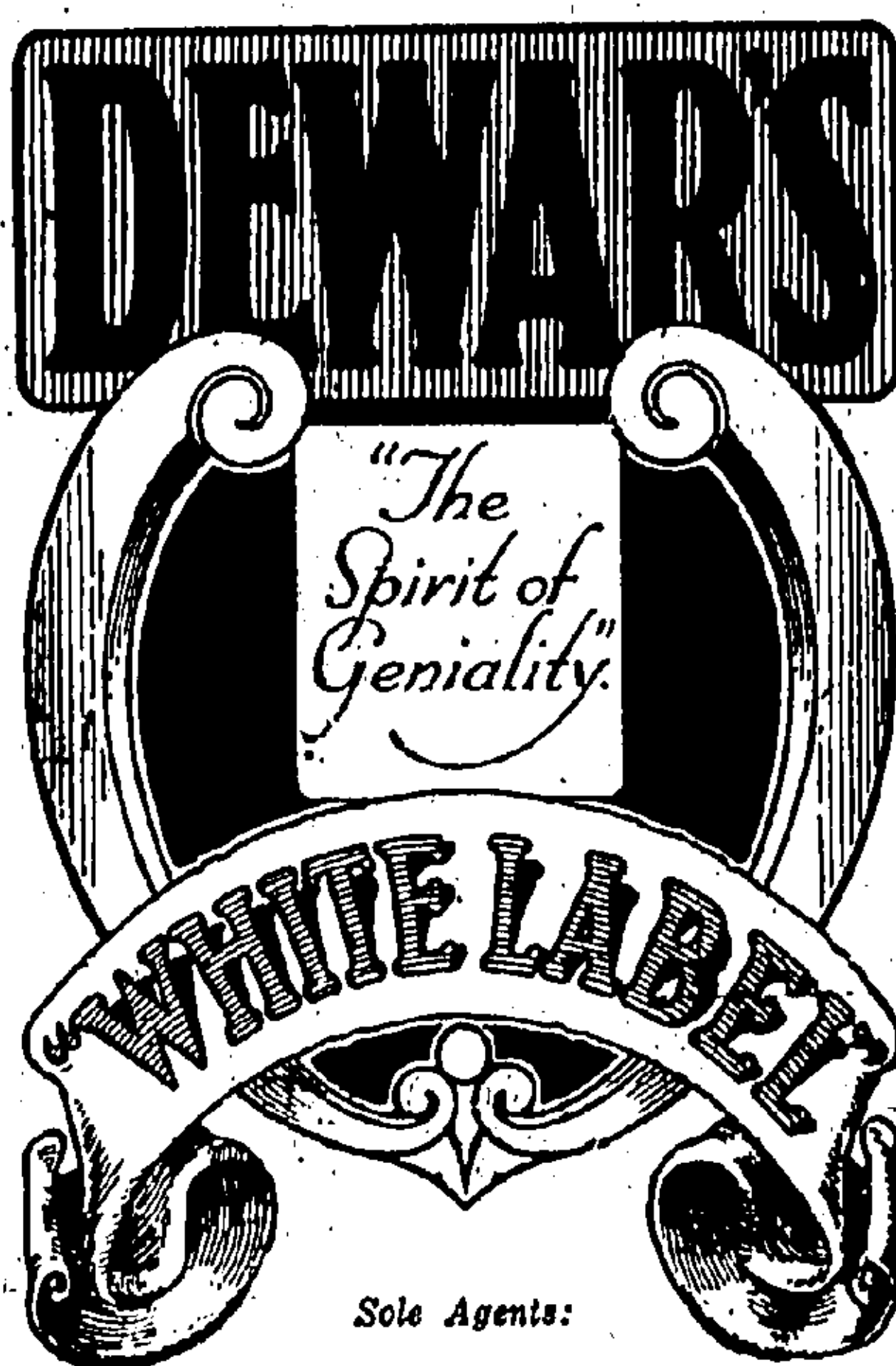
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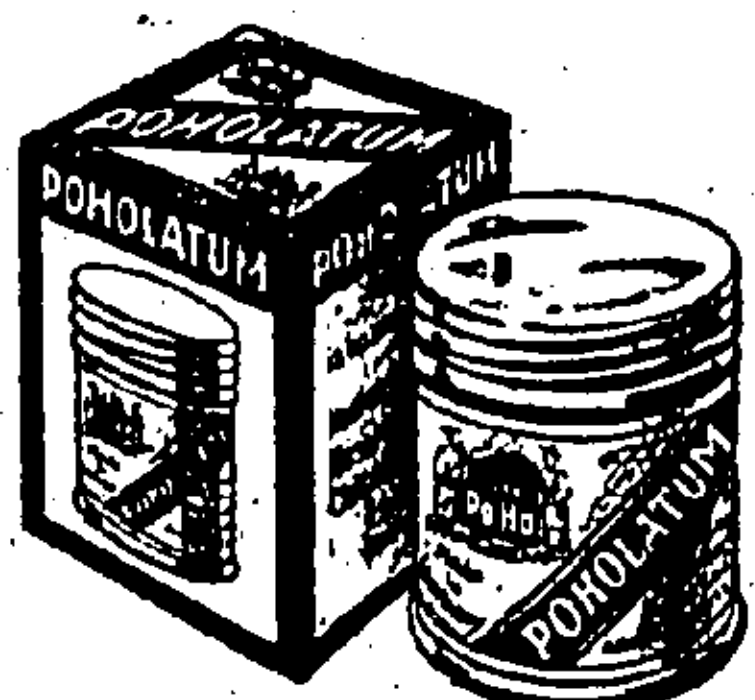
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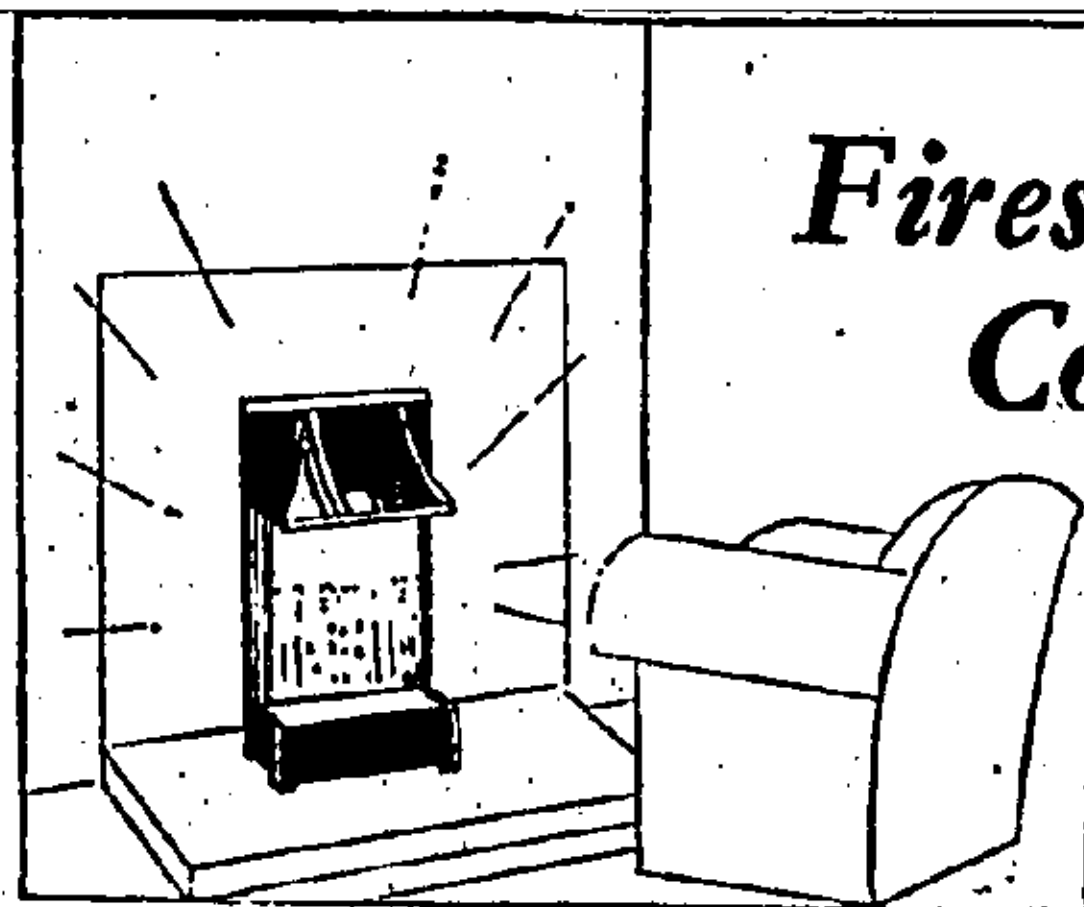
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Autarky

Whatever else the year 1934 may or may not have given us it has certainly familiarised us with some odd looking words, that have been dragged into common usage to describe some odd theories; and amongst them the ideal of "Autarky" is one of the oddest. It is an old saying that there is nothing new under the sun; and it is certainly a suggestive thought that the most up to date movements seem to reach us labelled with names that have their source in the ideals and policies of the Greeks of the fifth century of the pre-Christian Era. The Athenian philosophers prided themselves on the hospitality of their State to foreigners, and their ability to reconcile it with devotion to their own State; their wide-flung commerce reconciled with domestic industry; and the consequent cultivation of luxury which they said was achieved without any effeminacy. They contrasted these conditions with those which found favour with their great antagonists the Spartans, who aimed at discouraging foreign relationships and complications or entanglements; at cultivating a simple scheme of life which would not require exports or imports; at a system narrowly approaching internal barter, which they called self-sufficiency (autarkia). It was an anticipating of Sinn Fein, "ourselves alone." Sparta did at any rate get a hardy breed of soldiers out of their plan; the other people who were quoted as autarkists, the Boeotians, merely resisted outside influences without developing any worthy scheme of their own, and became a byword for rusticity.

The modern Humanists, who base education on mathematics and chemistry and physics are quite right in recognising the importance of those subjects in an age that is being dragged behind the wheels of mechanical invention; but it is becoming fairly clear that those who forget that the proper study of mankind is man are bent on trying a large number of experiments that have been tried before without benefiting from the experience of those who tried them. Progressive as they may be in the laboratory they are reactionaries in the management of affairs; and the policies they advocate cancel the inventions they devise. The Soviets quite candidly state that they only encourage foreign trade as a preliminary step towards dispensing with it altogether. Russia and Siberia together are an area so large and diverse that the ideal is not a mere phantasm, and the system of government

would make it more possible than any of those with which we are more familiar. The United States could come fairly near to the autarkist ideal by maintaining the present tariff and abandoning foreign loans and foreign trade. With higher technical efficiency China could make a third autarky, so long as her people were content with the present low standard of comfort. It is difficult to see what other State could maintain even its present population on an autarkist system.

Yet there are people in England not only advocating autarky as a practical plan for the world in general, but even for England, who grow enough food for only one fifth of her present population. It would not be necessary to take the movement seriously if it were not that it is the obvious inspiration of prohibitive tariffs, restriction of passports and naturalisation, and bonuses to industries that could never hold their own against competition. The past year has added to the conditions that make men anxious to confine their trade to customers who are under the same law as themselves. Ups and downs of exchange reduce contracts to something like a gamble; the list of public defaults steadily grows; constant babble of war scares makes people think that in creating prosperity in foreign countries they may be only nourishing a future enemy.

There are two barometers of public confidence; the prestige of the League of Nations, which represents an attempt to secure co-operation through the recognition of public law, and the talk of autarky, which represents disillusion and the abandonment of any hope of public law. Like the old-fashioned barometers that had two figures, a man and a woman, of which the man came forward as the woman went back, the indicate the mental atmosphere. This year the movement has been all one way; our best hope is that Christmas may mark the beginning of a reverse movement.

CLYDE'S LEAD IN SHIPBUILDING

Three Motorships For Australian Trade

It is now estimated that the Clyde has more mercantile tonnage on-hand than any other district in Britain. In total it amounts to some 88 vessels aggregating 180,000 tons.

Including the Queen Mary, the amount of mercantile tonnage now building or fitting out in the various Clyde-side basins is computed at well over the 100,000-ton mark. Of the six vessels launched during October, three of the largest were motorships for the Australian trade.

HERE, THERE and EVERYWHERE

SPARKS FLYING

There is growing opposition in Parliament to the Electricity Supply Bill, which was dropped this session. It is to be reintroduced in the new session, and, in the words of the Prime Minister, "passed into law as expeditiously as possible."

A discussion on it at a meeting of the Conservative Private Members' Committee revealed that if the Government persist in forcing it through they will be acting "against the will of the majority of members."

It is suggested that a representative of the Electricity Board should be invited to explain the Bill's intricacies to members.

Nearly 60 petitions have been presented to Parliament to send it to a Select Committee. This would hold it up for some time.

There will be a big fight in the Commons to carry this plan.

ARTY HAMPTSTEAD

The legend that Chelsea is the centre of artists is rapidly dying. It is much more the centre of Royal Academicians and rich people who prefer contemplating Bohemianism to practising it.

Even Bloomsbury, long regarded as the intellectual quarter, is fading out. With the death of Roger Fry, this home of pre-war modernists is beginning to disintegrate.

Hamptstead is now the centre of culture. Here live the poets untrained by grammar, and to whom a complex is what a daffodil was to Wordsworth: here live abstract painters and sculptresses.

Chiswick, under the wings of A. P. Herbert, is watching Hamptstead. But Hamptstead does not acknowledge the existence of Chiswick.

Your Daily Smile!

"Horace is going to teach me to play cards so that I'll know all about it after we are married."
"That's right. What game is he going to teach you?"
"I think he called it patience."

As Usual
Employer: "While I'm away you will take your orders from the mistress, Giles."
Gardener: "Yes, sir—same as if you was at home."

Busy
Caller: "I would like to see the Judge, please."
Secretary: "I'm sorry, sir, but he is at dinner."

Caller: "But, my man, my errand is important."
Secretary: "It can't be helped, sir. His Honour is at steak."

Salesmanship
"What was it I asked you to buy a house in such a lonesome region?"
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CHINESE MEDICINES

Noted Professor Lauds Their Efficacy

A visitor to China of unusual interest is professor Nicholas Roerich, artist, philosopher, explorer and archaeologist, who has arrived in Peking from the United States via Japan and Manchuria. Although an explorer of note in Central Asia, this is Professor Roerich's first visit to China Proper.

An aspect of Chinese civilisation which he believes can contribute much toward the well-being of the rest of the world is that of China's medical science. There is an ever-increasing interest in the old Chinese pharmacopoeia in Europe and America and he believes that the curative effect of Chinese medicines, composed chiefly of various herbs, is better than that of many medicines of the West. The organic nature of such concoctions harmonises much better with the human system than do the inorganic, metallic elements used in Western medicines.

Professor Roerich's present trip to China has been undertaken at the instance of President Franklin D. Roosevelt and under the auspices of the Department of Agriculture. His object on this occasion is to make a thorough study of the grasses of the Mongolian Plateau and the Gobi Desert, particularly with regard to their drought-resisting qualities.

GERMANY'S HIDDEN WAR MACHINES CHEMICAL ARMAMENTS AND AIRCRAFT UNDERGROUND HANGARS

(By J. B. Firth)

London. clared an output of 84 engines that month, which in April rose to 115. There are more planes wheeling every day in the German sky than in any other in the world.

Nor was the Minister's suggestion that Germany did not possess a single fighting plane or bomber less preposterous. Even in 1932 she was selling planes of the G38 type to the Japanese General Staff—itsself conclusive proof that this type of machine was of military value.

It is to be borne in mind that Germany's official conception of Air strength is expressed in terms of bombers. In an explanatory memorandum attached to the Air Estimates for 1934, the Head of the Operations Department vigorously stressed this view.

The popular idea of the duelling aeroplane holds a very secondary place in the official mind, which thinks in squadrons of bombers with great carrying capacity, wide radius of action and racing speed. Major Wimmer defined the "historical mission" imposed upon the German Air forces as that of assuring the "moral or material paralysis of England" in the event of a Franco-German campaign!

I take that categorical and arresting statement from Dr. Helmut Klotz's book, "Germany's Secret Armaments," from which I quoted in my previous article. According to him, in March of this year Gen. Goring had at command ready for all military purposes:

18 Junker 'planes, "Ju 52," three engines, carrying 3 to 3½ tons;

36 Dornier 'planes, "Do Y," three engines, carrying 3 to 4 tons;

10 "M. 34" 'planes, two engines, carrying 2 to 2½ tons.

Convertible 'Plane

In the same month the Air Ministry directed that all aeroplanes with two or more engines should be so constructed as to be convertible into bombers within a few hours. It must not be assumed, of course, from this order that previously such aeroplanes were not so convertible.

On the contrary, a large proportion were. Consequently those who try to estimate the Air strength of Germany in bombers must take into account the large numbers of 'planes now classed under the head of Civil Aviation, which can be turned into war machines at a few hours' notice. Last March fifty three-engined Junkers and more than sixty two-engined 'planes of other types were available.

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ROUND THE WORLD BY CYCLE

Woman's Four Year Trip

Miss Nita Rosslyn, who during the past four years has cycled 40,000 miles, has left London on the first stage of a four years' cycle tour through France, Spain, Portugal, Africa, Australia, New Zealand, and the United States.

Before she left, she was presented with a bicycle by Lt-Colonel John Colville, Secretary for Overseas Trade, on behalf of the British Cycle and Motor-cycle Manufacturers and Traders' Union.

Miss Rosslyn is taking with her nearly 400 letters from civic authorities in Britain to their namesake-towns in the Empire overseas.

JAPANESE PAWNSHOPS IN NORTH CHINA

Japanese pawnshops that have sprung up like mushrooms in Tsinan during the last two years are now meeting with stiff competition from shops operated by the Shantung Government. It is reported. It is estimated that the total Japanese investments in pawnshops in Tsinan is \$1,000,000.

115 Engines In April

The statement that Germany had only 300 civilian aeroplanes was simply grotesque. The Bavarian Motor Works alone de-



"The Six Hollywood Blondes" caught in one of their dancing displays during their stay in Shanghai. They are appearing at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden to-night.

CHAMBERLAIN REVIEWS BRITAIN'S POSITION

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LOCAL BORROWING

The same applied also to the borrowing of local authorities, he continued. Some of the larger authorities had raised money at 3 per cent, and smaller authorities were able to borrow from the local fund at from 3 1/4 per cent. Those non-permanent loans. Long-term borrowings again were able to obtain loans something like one-third cheaper than at any time since the war. That undoubtedly has been a very great advantage.

As for industrial borrowers they had been able to convert something like £100,000,000 since the National Government took office, resulting in a saving to them of about £1,000,000 annually.

CHEAP MONEY EFFECT

Dealing with the effect of cheap money in the industrial field, Mr. Chamberlain referred to the work of the Bankers Industrial Development Company, which was formed largely at the instigation and with the assistance of the Bank of England, for the financing of large industrial corporations after proper examination of their prospects, and that of credits for the industries limited, and designed to provide medium term loans of smaller amounts to small firms.

Regarding the situation in Lancashire, which had been raised during the debate, he agreed that a good deal of trouble arose out of the financial chaos during the 1920/21 inflationary boom.

This lesson was that they should not repeat it in attempting measures which would bring other parts of the country into the same condition.

FINANCIAL POLICY

With regard to the financial policy generally, Mr. Chamberlain in conclusion, said, that it had not changed in any material aspect, since on behalf of the Empire delegates it was declared at the London Conference. He believed that if they continued to pursue their policy as laid down at the conclusion of that conference, it would continue to produce good results.

He saw no reason why they should not anticipate a further rise in the whole-sale prices of primary commodities, which would probably do most to overcome inharmonious elements in the world's currency system, and he looked forward with confidence to the time when they could once again embark on an international currency standard.

Meanwhile he saw no reason for pessimism. Home trade had not yet reached the saturation point, and foreign trade, which is not back to old levels, was still showing upward trend.

STABILISATION ISSUE

Proceeding, the Chancellor of the Exchequer dealt with a suggestion for attempting the stabilisation of values between the pound and the dollar. Here, he said, the question was that of the level at which stabilisation should be effected. Stabilisation on a common international standard of currency would be very helpful. Levels of currencies in the countries of the Empire and those countries linked with sterling have remained very stable for three years and exchange of goods and trade showed a very gratifying increase at a time when international trade was generally inclined to shrink.

EXCHANGE DISHARMONY

At the present sterling had on one side the gold bloc and on the

other the dollar, also on the gold standard. The real difficulty was that the dollar and the franc were not in harmonious relationship. In consequence of this disharmony the pound, which stood between the two, was dear in terms of dollars but not so dear in francs. The present freedom to move in either direction and thus achieve a fairly stable position for the pound would be lost if they had stabilisation. Any attempt to stabilise while disharmony existed would result in a position where they had to go off gold or follow a policy of inflation.

In the present circumstances they could not afford the risk involved in stabilisation and thus rob themselves of freedom to move the pound as required. They must wait until such a change occurred in the price level as would bring the dollar and the franc into greater harmony with one another—a position which he understood the United States Administration wished to bring about and in which he wished them all possible success.—British Wireless Service.

NEW GOVERNMENT TENDERS

New Magistracy At Kowloon

Tenders are invited for the supply of Prisoners' provisions, etc., and should reach the Colonial Secretary's offices before noon of Friday, January 4, 1935.

Sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be marked, "Tender for the New Magistracy, Kowloon," will be received at the office of the Colonial Secretary until noon, on Monday, January 7, 1935.

Tenders are called for the second section of the Mount Parker Catchwater and Contingent works, and should reach the Colonial Secretary's office at the same time as the above tender.

Sealed tenders, in triplicate, for the site formation of the New Wanchai Market are called for, and should reach the Colonial Secretary's office not later than noon, on Monday, January 7, 1935. The work consists of the erection of a granite-faced retaining wall and site formation.

CANTON MOURNS THE PASSING OF TENG CHAK-YU

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By a strange irony of fate, Mr. Teng's wife gave birth to a baby boy a few minutes after the distinguished statesman breathed his last. He is survived by a widow, five sons, and one married daughter, who is in Malaya. Mrs. Teng is the second wife, the first having died some years ago.

The eldest son, Teng Kwong-ha, 24, is the general manager of the Municipal Water Works.

Among the high posts Mr. Teng held were minister of Finance, Director of the Kwangtung, and Kwangsi Salt, Gabelle, Civil Governor of Kwangtung, and other important portfolios. At the time of his death, Mr. Teng was a member of the South-west Political Council.

DRILL AND DANCING DISPLAY

Diocesan Girls' School Success

FINAL EXHIBITION TO-DAY

An excellent display of drill and dancing was rendered by the students of the Diocesan Girls' School yesterday afternoon on their playground in the presence of their parents and friends. Another display will be given this afternoon at 3 p.m.

The programme opened with three short items, "Jump, Jump, Jim Crow," "Scandinavian Dance," and "A Dancing Song" by the kindergarten.

Two groups of girls, coming from each corner of the ground and marching in fours, gave an excellent exhibition of marching tactics, after which Class IV gave three displays of English Country Dances.

A Mimic Olympiad, comprising of broad-jumping, rowing, wood chopping, playing golf, fencing, archery, diving, swimming, playing baseball, shot-put and a 50-yard dash was rendered by the students of class V.

"Tumbling and Pyramids," a gymnastic exhibition, was one of the most daring items on the programme in which the performers had to do many difficult acts. This was given by class III.

Old English Dance

An Old English Dance was performed by four students dressed in Victorian costumes, in which P. Crofton and Sheila Barros played the gentlemen's parts, and Kitty Delgado and Phyllis Lang were the ladies.

The most appealing item was the Dutch Dance by little Betty Lee. She was dressed up as a Dutch girl with a bonnet, and a red and black check skirt with an apron.

Just before the conclusion a Tap Dance was rendered by Nancy Baker and Maria Da Rosa. All the girls of the upper school participated in the finale, which was an exhibition of gymnastic drill.

Miss F. L. Lee was responsible for all the gymnastic drills and dances, and Mrs. McLellan directed the Old English Dance and the Dutch Dance.

The performance will be repeated again this afternoon after which the school will break up for its Christmas vacation.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

One case of diphtheria and one case of typhoid fever were reported in the Colony during the 24 hours ended December 20.

Unless cause is shown to the contrary at the expiration of three months, from yesterday, the name of the Kwongtung Tramway Co., Ltd., will be struck off the register, and the company dissolved.

The American Mail Line advises that the s.s. President Jefferson will sail from Hong Kong at 4 p.m. on Monday, for Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Seattle.

SILVER INQUIRY LOOMS IN U.S.

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Some senators believe that the inquiry will not materialise, due to the silverites' internal differences. Senators Wheeler, McCarran and

To-day's Short Story.

IN THE BAG

By W. A. Sweeney

ROUND the notice-board in the village plaza, the small group of Spaniards read the proclamation and nodded their heads. Some muttered Caramba under their breath, and one or two looked slightly uneasy.

It was rather a breath-taking notice. Nothing like it had been seen on the notice-board since Miguel Garcia had terrified the countryside for months and had, finally, died waging war on the Guardia Civil in his mountain fastness. And only the oldest inhabitants remembered that. There had been a price on Miguel's head, too, but in this case there was a price on two heads.

Pedro and Juan Grimalt, brothers, were well-known bad characters in a general way, but recently given to sheer banditry. An English woman in this orange-scented village had been held up in her own home while they gaged and bound her, relieved her of her property, and left her more dead than alive.

So the Governor's decree had come forth, and the Guardia Civil were now searching the mountains for the brothers.

CARNIVAL DANCE AT "Y" TO-NIGHT

CABARET TURNS TO BE FEATURED

VALUABLE PRIZES FOR BEST FANCY DRESSES

One of the most ambitious carnival dances seen in the Colony takes place to-night at the European Y.M.C.A., where, in addition to the fancy-dresses and masks, two outstandingly good cabaret items will feature the night's entertainments.

Miss Stella Best, who appeared with conspicuous success at a recent performance at the King's Theatre, will be the main item on the Cabaret card, while Mr. Gus D'Aquino, the well-known local baritone will sing several songs.

In addition, a surprise item will also be featured, details of which have not yet been divulged.

Dancing will be to one of the best orchestras in town, "Fred and His Fats," and will commence from 9 a.m. and conclude at 1.30 a.m.

Refreshments in the form of a light supper will be served at 11 o'clock, and towards the conclusion of the dance valuable prizes for the best fancy dresses will be awarded.

"Hard" drinks will be available in the annex.

SUGGESTION FOR XMAS PARTIES

Siemen's Projector

A delightful surprise was given to children at a recent Christmas party in Hong Kong. When tea was over and the children had grown tired with their rather boisterous games, the host announced that the room would be cleared and all the chairs would be arranged at one end of the room, while a space on the wall was cleared of pictures to form the "screen" for a Cinema Show. The room was then darkened by closing all shutters and drawing all the curtains. Two Mickey Mouse films were shown and the tiny tots, who were much too young to be taken to the Cinema Theatres, were greatly thrilled.

The Siemen's projector is erected with very little trouble and requires little knowledge to manipulate. A plug attached to any wall socket produces the necessary current. Light and run the machine, while the safety films used nullify the danger of inflammability. This is ideal entertainment for the kiddies' Christmas parties this festive season.

Messrs. Schmidt and Co. are the sole agents for the Siemen's Camera and Projector.

Adams feel that the Treasury should advise, firstly, the extent of purchases; secondly, the effect on the economic situation; thirdly, the price paid; fourthly, where any sales have been made for the purpose of halting or slowing price increases.—United Press per S. B. Levy and Company.

"... and the sum of two thousand pesetas will be paid to anyone capturing or leading to the capture of the above men."

"So there's a price on the heads of those two at last," muttered an old dusky Spaniard, nodding his head and tugging at his jet-black moustache.

"How?" said a voice behind him. The old man turned to look into two flashing dark eyes lit up with the

MONDAY'S STORY

Monday's story will be "The Twisting Of The Rope," by W. R. Yeats.

light of insanity. They belonged to a boy of about nineteen (at least he looked that age), dressed in a weird costume made up of several quite incongruous garments. He was tall and thin and his long, black hair tumbled in wild confusion about his head. This was a certain Mateo (nobody called him anything else), the village idiot. "How?" he repeated, eagerly. "How—a price on their heads?"

"There's a price for those two heads, Mateo. The Governor will pay you two thousand pesetas if you bring them to him. Why don't you have a try?"

A few of the others standing round grinned. Mateo was staring now excitedly at the photographs of the wanted men. Two thousand pesetas represented to his half-formed brain the wealth that might be possessed by all the millionaires of Spain lumped together. "Two thousand pesetas!" he gasped. "For their heads?"

"On their heads," said one of the men, but the boy was not listening. It meant the same thing to him, anyway.

"Try your luck, Mateo," said said someone else, rolling a cigarette. "You know them well enough. Shouldn't be surprised," he added, more thoughtfully, "if you knew where they are."

The little group broke up at last, making for various small bars, but Mateo remained behind, fascinated by the notice-board. After a while he ran away to his mother's house on the outskirts of the village.

A strange conflict was going on in his mind. Once these two wanted men had befriended his mother; they had thrown her two pesetas once, as they passed after some deed of wickedness in the night. She had given them a drink of water. And now someone was offering the fabulous sum of two thousand pesetas for their heads! He thought over the matter all that afternoon.

At nightfall he sped quickly and silently from the village up into the mountains. He did not stop until he was about two miles from his home, and then he lay down on the ground and flattened himself out. With him he carried an old fowling-piece with which he was accustomed to shoot rabbits sometimes, and he clutched it now with a look of terrible cunning as he lay utterly motionless in the darkness. There was nothing to be seen but the darkened mountains, and nothing to be heard but the faint rustle of the night wind among the undergrowth and the scurrying movement of some small beast of the fields. Still Mateo lay there.

From time to time he smiled as if at some clever, secret joke. After a long time he seemed to see something move in the darkness. His finger tightened on the trigger as he strained his eyes, and then, suddenly, the black silence was broken by two reports.

He walked to the town next day, starting before daybreak. On the way he stopped from time to time and laughed heartily. Then he would look around as if fearful of somebody seeing him. With him he carried a bulging sack. In the town he asked several people to show him where the Governor lived. Most of them paid scant attention to him, but at length a man who imagined he had come on some official business pointed out the Gobierno Civil.

He refused obstinately to disclose his business to anyone but the Governor himself.

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BRUTAL MURDER OF CHINESE WOMAN

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A feather duster, stained with blood, was also found by the husband of the murdered woman, Mok Kong.

There have been no arrests so far, and the Police have offered a reward of \$250 for information leading to the arrest of the criminal or criminals.

MALARIA CLAIMS 2,000 VICTIMS

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The village schools were being turned into hospitals and the headmasters had been given the responsibility of distributing medicines and food.

In some households every member was helpless, and hospitals were trying to cope with twice or thrice the number of patients for which they were equipped.

Urgent telegrams had been sent to Madras, and Java imploring supplies of quinine.

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GERMANY'S HIDDEN MACHINES

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That makes a total of 164 "bombers" then at Gen. Goring's disposal, and it tends to confirm the present estimate of 500 fighting aeroplanes. For in the meantime production has been stimulated to the utmost at the Junkers works at Dessau, at the Heinkel works at Rostock, Warnemunde, Travemunde and Berlin, at the Dornier works and various other smaller establishments.

Of all the German machines hitherto produced the "HE 70" represents the peak of German scientific and mechanical achievement, for it is credited with a cruising speed of 220 and a maximum speed of 238 miles, which would make it probably the fastest bomber in the world.

The Germans, naturally, have been busily experimenting with all kinds of aero engines, both of their own and of foreign manufacture. They have been importing engines freely from the United States and also from this country. Evidence on this head was recently given before the United States Munitions Inquiry:

"The United Aircraft Export Company increased its sales to Germany from £1,000 in 1932 to £54,000 in 1933 and to £300,000 in the first eight months of 1934. These included eight aeroplanes and 176 aeroplane motors.

"The Bavarian Motor Works, which produce 'Hornet' engines under licence, sought for a new arrangement, but would not put the terms into writing because they did not wish the number of engines made to be revealed.

"The largest German aeroplane factory was described as having 'doubled the number of its employees since Hitler came into power.' The next largest was said to have trebled the number."

It was also stated in evidence that for aeroplanes and aero engines the Germans paid cash in advance. For all other goods they required long credit.

Stacked Fuselages
Months ago I heard that the representative of a British company, on one of his periodical visits to a German firm which manufactures a certain type of fuselage under licence, found a large hangar as closely stacked with fuselages as a furniture repository is stacked with goods. All possible obstacles had been put in the way of his inspection.

The Germans are adepts in these matters. Before the war they had hidden stores of "surprise" guns, machineguns, flame-throwers, mines, gas projectors, and the like. After the war the reports—some are still unpublished—of the Military Commission charged with the duty of supervising the destruction of German war material under the Treaty contained frequent references to the "caches" of arms which the Germans hoped might escape detection.

Germany is teaching her people to expect to be bombed ruthlessly from the air. That is a sure sign that she is concentrating her own preparations upon a colossal air offensive which, maybe, will convey her formal declaration of war.

1933 Estimates Trebled
The German Air estimates for 1934 were for 210,000,000 Reichsmarks. That was treble the estimates for 1933 and five times the estimates for 1932.

The Air Ministry has parcelled out Germany into districts and established Air Offices in sixteen large cities. Their functions will be to authorise new aerodromes, and fuel reserves, are turfed over to mark out barred zones, to see to the admission of pilots, to issue landing prohibitions, &c.

By this system of decentralisation the Air Ministry, while still exercising an over-riding control, will be left free to concentrate on the major problems of Air Defence and Offence.

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King Peter, 11-year-old monarch of Yugoslavia, succeeds to the throne of his murdered father, King Alexander. The boy king was a carefree student in England when an assassin's bullets thrust him into the political turmoil of troubled Europe.

TOURISTS LOCKED IN VAULTS

Women And Children Unconscious

MANY HOURS OF AGONY

Prague, Dec. 10.

While 150 tourists were visiting the treasure vaults of the St. Velt's Cathedral at Hradjin the immense thick which closes the room almost hermetically, was inadvertently slammed by one of their number locking them all in. There was only one key which the verger conducting the party carried in his pocket. The entire company took to flight when the electric lights went out. Hammering on the door to attract the attention of passers by seemed useless.

At last a sexton discovered that the door had been shut and after an endless search found a small chink in the wall through which the key could be pushed. The sexton however did not know how the mechanism worked so that four more hours passed before the man found the combination.

When the door was finally swung back, many of those who had been locked in were unconscious. Most of the visitors were women and children.

ANTHONY ASQUITH TO FILM KING'S REIGN

Mr. Anthony Asquith has been engaged to direct the film record of the reign of King George, which is to be made by London Film Productions, Limited, in celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the King's accession to the Throne. The scenario will be written by Mr. Winston Churchill.

Tary Labour Camps. The entrances to these subterranean air parks, capable of holding up to 200 aeroplanes, with repair shops, and fuel reserves, are turfed over to mark out barred zones, to see to the admission of pilots, to issue landing prohibitions, &c.

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SOCIAL SEASON AT WHITE HOUSE

Round Of Functions Begun This Week

TALL AUSTRIAN BLONDE HEADS DEBUTANTES

Washington. — The tallest top hats, the gowns of lowest cut, made their "formal" White House appearance a month later this year than last.

The announcement of the White House social programme shows the traditional 10 functions—five eight o'clock dinners and five nine o'clock receptions—dated between December 18 and February 23 as compared with last year's November 18 to February 8.

It was due to the remodelling of the President's offices, but its effect was to make the social calendar fit more closely in with the first congress of history opening on January 3 under the Norris lame duck amendment.

The December convening used to be the signal for the debutantes to come out, the luncheons, dinners, teas and receptions to blaze away—all carefully fitted into the dates when there would not be "big parties" on at the White House.

The New Year's reception, ruled out last year by the Roosevelt, is still definitely dropped. As always, the Cabinet dinner comes first—the official family's own formal function to start the social wheels each winter. The diplomatic reception comes next—as a gracious gesture to guests from across the ocean.

The rest of the functions range along as seems most opportune to the department of protocol. There is a date on February 19 honouring the Speaker of the House.

Date books present a confusing if exciting picture for the Washington debutante this year.

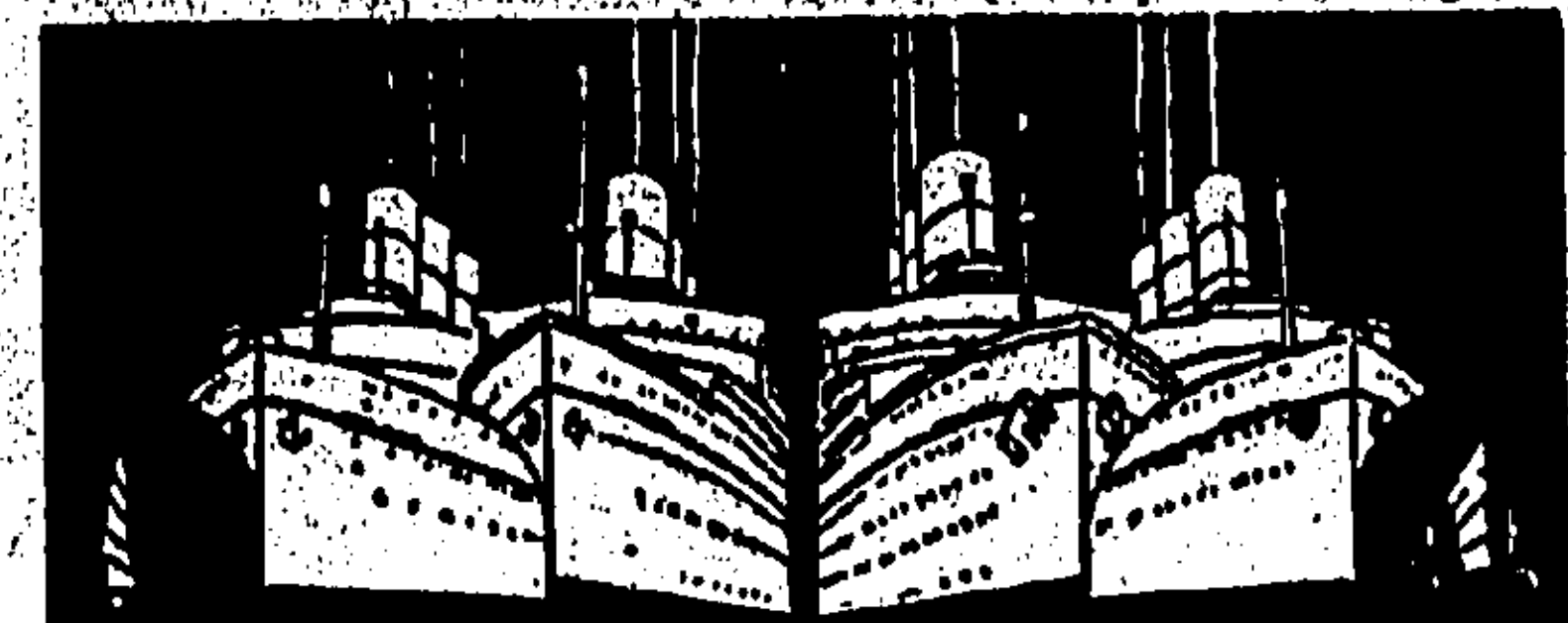
Not in five years have so many society ladies decided to put on fine feathers and face the social symphony. There will be more than 50 girls "coming out." And since custom dictates they must hold their parties between Halloween and the first of January, the traffic is jammed.

The "ranking" debutante this year is the tall, blonde, beautiful Valerie Prochlik, daughter of the Austrian minister. She ranks highest since her father's official rank here is higher than that of the father of any other girl whose debut is announced so far.

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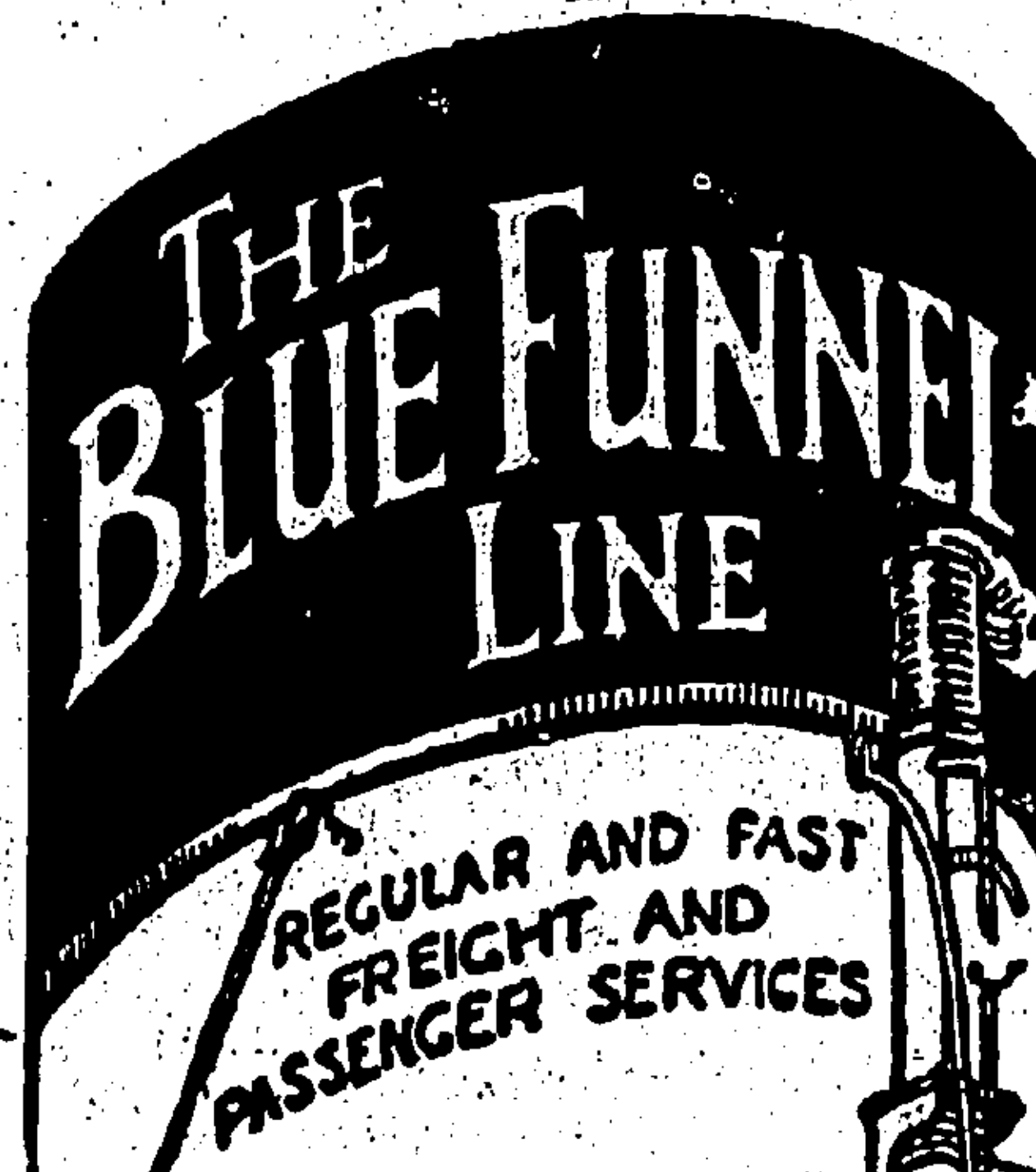
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Mr. Alan Arnold delivered his Presidential address to the Chartered Surveyors' Institution, in London.

He emphasized "the serious inconvenience, expense and hindrance" resulting from Government-imposed economy in the direction of the Ordnance Survey. He also referred to the special requirements resulting from modern building development and social legislation, including slum clearance.

"In all but essentially rural districts," he stated, "the basic 25-inch plans bear comparatively little relation to existing physical features. The necessity for re-surveying rather than revision is imminent, and surveyors know only too well the difference in cost between the two processes. "It is for this Institution," he declared, "to continue to press for an increase in the Ordnance Survey Vote, or such other means as would enable the required revision to be undertaken before the twelve millions of national capital represented by the original survey is jeopardized. It is imperative that up-to-date maps should be available without delay."

Discussing agricultural unemployment, Mr. Arnold expressed the hope that land-owners would follow the example of New College, Oxford, in financing relief work on their properties, such as trenching unproductive areas, cleansing ditches and cutting back over-grown hedges. The result of this venture was, he said, that unemployed men were given work and the productive capacity of the farms was materially improved, skilled labour being released to carry out extra cultivation.

WORLD FELLOWSHIP OF FAITHS

Congress To Be Held In
June In London

Good progress has been made towards the holding in London in June, 1936, of a second international congress, or parliament, of carrying forward the World Fellowship of Faiths begun in Chicago last year and continued monthly ago in New York under the national presidency of Mr. Herbert Hoover and the chairmanship of Bishop Francis McConnell.

The Maharajah, Gaekwar of Baroda is the international president. Sir Francis Youngblood is the chairman of the British National Committee, and an inaugural meeting under his presidency was held last month.

The World Fellowship of Faiths is intended to bring together followers of the different faiths and to promote a better understanding among them. It is a spiritual movement intended to give a spiritual lead to the world. With this object it will get spiritual leaders to hold before men an ideal which all may cherish and pursue.

IN THE BAG

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"Heads," he repeated, pointing to the sack. "About heads. Two thousand pesetas." After a long time and much obstinacy on Mateo's part, somebody took his message to the Governor.

"What is he talking about?" demanded that puzzled gentleman.

"Your Excellency knows as much as we do. He seems crazy, but he insists on speaking with your Excellency. We can do nothing with him. Unless," he added reflectively, "we put him in gaol. We might put him in gaol."

"Show him in to me," said his Excellency, with impatience.

"I have come with the heads," explained Mateo, cheerfully, pointing to the sack he carried.

"What heads—and who are you, anyway?"

"The heads—for the two thousand pesetas," explained Mateo, patiently. "The heads of the Grimalts—Pedro and Juan."

"Merciful heaven!" gasped the Governor, as his eye fell on the bloodstains on the sinister-looking sack. "Keep away!" he cried, jumping back as Mateo put the sack on the ground and the two round objects humped together in its interior. The Governor and the secretary beside him had gone white.

"You—you have killed them?" stammered his Excellency.

"I have the heads—and I want two thousand pesetas."

"Don't touch that sack! This is awful!" The Governor turned to his secretary. "He's a half-wit, of course. Get him out of here. For heaven's sake give him his two thousand pesetas—and let nobody know about this. Take him away."

Some time later Mateo was running back to his village with two thousand pesetas in notes tied up in some part of his clothing. He was laughing hysterically as he ran.

At about the same time the Governor of the island was conferring with his private secretary, while they both eyed the awful blood-stained bundle on the floor and thought of the two objects inside it.

"There is only one thing to do," said the Governor. "This awful thing must never be known. It would mean ruin for all of us. You will have to take my launch and that—that thing immediately—and go out to sea. Tell the caretaker to parcel it up here in my room and put a heavy weight in the parcel. Get him in now. When you get about a mile out to sea, for heaven's sake drop the whole thing overboard." He shuddered and left the room.

The secretary looked slightly sick, but he pressed the bell for the caretaker.

Mateo was still laughing as he ran. He laughed as he told his mother his great secret and placed, in her trembling hands, the pile of notes, telling her to hide it away under the ground.

"Two turnips," he was saying, laughing till the tears came. "Two large turnips and the sack stained with the blood of the goat I shot last night. Ha! Ha! Ha! And our friends are safe in the mountains, mother."

THE END

FORESIGHT OF THE ANCIENTS

Rice, Stored Away 140
Years Ago

USED FOR RELIEF

Eating rice that was stored 147 years ago, villagers of Tsurugata, Akita Prefecture, in the centre of the famine-stricken northeast, are singing praises to the foresight of those who ruled in those days.

The rice—250 bales in all—was kept in storage in a specially-constructed village granary which was filled after a bumper crop in 1787. Twenty-five bales were removed for distribution among the most destitute in the community and it was found to be in perfect condition.

Famine Near Akita

Forty-one persons, comprising the entire population of Hinokuchimura, a famine-stricken hamlet near Akita will leave their barren fields on December 19 for Brazil.

Hinokuchimura was particularly hard-hit by the cold wave that swept this region this summer, ruining the rice and other crops. While in other districts, potatoes and beans have withstood the cold, even these plants were shrivelled in the Hinokuchimura neighbourhood.

Inhabitants are barely surviving by eating boiled grass roots and gruel made of damaged rice which is being distributed by governmental relief agencies. This rice, unfit for regular consumption, was ruined while stored in the Kobe and Osaka district in the typhoon of September 21.

Scientists To Investigate

From sea and air, scientists will seek data this winter to determine the causes of the cold waves that periodically sweep northeastern Japan and cause crop failures leading to famine conditions in the region.

Having secured appropriation of Y. 72,000 in the emergency relief budget the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry will begin an extensive survey of sea currents and their effects on temperature in northern Japan.

CHIEF SCOUT IN MALAYA

Film Record Of Visit
To Kuala Lumpur

A film has been made in Kuala Lumpur dealing with the visit to that town of Lord and Lady Baden Powell of Gilwell and of the functions arranged in their honour by the boy scouts and girl guides of Selangor.

The film shows the arrival of the Chief Scout and Chief Guide by train and their visit to "Castle Camp" where "B. P." declared open a hut named after him. Rain apparently did not dampen the enthusiasm of Kang U, who has secured some very good shots of the rally at the Stadium and of Lady Baden Powell's visit to the guide hut at Beldfield Road.

The length of the film is 500 ft.

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His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Arthur George Warnham Tickle to act as Director of Public Works during the absence on leave of the Hon. Mr. Richard McNeil Henderson, with effect from yesterday.

Mr. John Barrow resumed duty as Assistant Superintendent of Imports and Exports on December 15.

The King's Exequatur empowering Monsieur Fernando Alegre to act as Consul of Panama at Hong Kong, has received His Majesty's signature.

ROOSEVELT'S ORDER TO TELEGRAPH COMPANIES

New York, to-day.—President Roosevelt told the Postal Telegraph and Western Union Telegraph that they must accept the National Reconstruction Administration's code or offer a suitable substitute. United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

GASOLINE ADVANCE IN U.S.

New York, to-day.—Socony Vacuum advanced the price of gasoline at New York by a half cent per gallon. United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

AUTOMOBILE SALES UP

New York, to-day.—According to the Dept. of Commerce, factory sales of automobiles for November totalled 78,415 units, against 60,683 units last year. United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

TRADE BUOYANCY IN AMERICA

Strongest Position For Five Years

Messrs. Dun and Bradstreet are comforted with the assurance that 1934 will close with trade positions at their strongest for five years. Business men are planning broader expansion in 1935. They are that retail sales for December are 20 to 30 per cent. higher than for last December and generally, will be the highest since 1930. United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

NEW DODGE AND CHRYSLER CAR PRICES

New York, to-day.—Dodge Corp.'s 1935 passenger cars will range from \$10 lower to \$20 higher on all models. Chrysler airflow cars will be \$50 higher than 1934. United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

RAILWAY CARLOADINGS INCREASE IN U.S.

New York, to-day.—The American Railway Assn. reports carloadings at 580,000 units, an increase of 21,000 units from last year. United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

TREASURY BILLS ISSUE

London, to-day.—The total amount applied for in tenders for the \$35,000,000 Treasury Bills issue was \$45,545,000. The amount allotted in bills at three months was \$34,745,000 and the average rate per cent. was 10/2.79d., as against 9/6.43d last week. British Wireless Service.

New York, to-day.—The Cotton Exchange will be open as usual on Monday.—Reuter.

"FLYING HOTEL" LANDS IN SWAMP DURING STORM

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It is suggested that the pilot, at the height of the thunderstorm, was forced to land, and chose what appeared to be a firm surface, but which in reality was a swamp owing to the rain; the machine then somersaulted, broke up, and caught fire.

The mail was collected from the debris and was brought to Rutbah.—Reuter.

EIGHT KILLED

The plane, which secured second place in the Mildenhall to Melbourne air race under the guidance of Parmentier and Moll, was piloted on its fatal trip by Beekman and Steenberg, and carried four passengers in addition to two other members of the crew. It was known as the "Flying Hotel."

FORD LIKELY TO UNDERCUT RISING COMPETITORS

New York, to-day.—Dodge Corp.'s 1935 prices have advanced by \$20. Chrysler prices are to be higher, surprising the automobile trade, which awaits the Ford announcement, believing that Ford Motors may possibly undercut competitors. United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

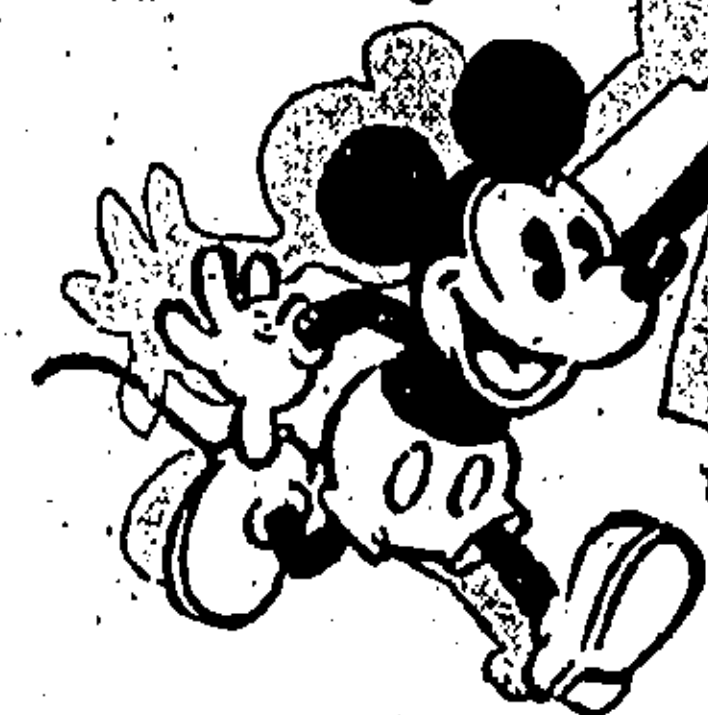
ANGLO-POLISH DELEGATES HALT TRADE DISCUSSION

London, to-day.—The Anglo-Polish discussions, which are being held in London with a view to concluding a trade agreement, have been adjourned for Christmas and will be resumed on January 8.—British Wireless Service.

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